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Your 'star' gift

MATCH Weekly readers love to collect pictures of their favourite stars. You tell us so in your many letters and telephone calls.

So we know we've hit on a winner with our new free gift, the Match Weekly All Stars Album.

The cover for the album is attached to the cover of this issue — and the first eight pages can be found on pages 13 and 14.

Many more album pages will be given away FREE with Match over the

next six weeks.
You can find details on how to assemble your album on the inside back page of the cover.

It's yet another original idea from your value-for-money Match Weekly. Remember that other magazines are

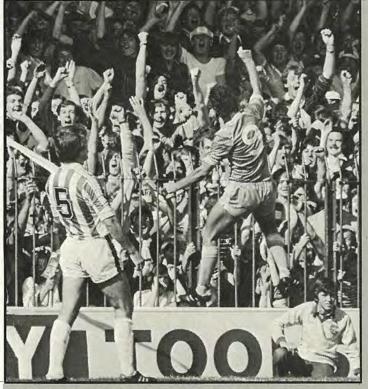
printed much earlier than Match, so that we can always be first with the latest news and features.

Among this week's exclusives is a colour poster of Trevor Francis in Man. strip, action pictures from the World Cup games and up-to-theminute comments from columnist Paul Mariner. Good reading.

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Front cover caption: Manchester United's Lou Macari and Nottingham Forest's Peter Ward battle it out during their early season encounter at Old Trafford.

City boss John **Bond** missed out on Barnes, Jordan and Fashanu, but believes . . .



Above: Trevor Francis acclaims the cheers of the City fans after scoring his first goal for his new club at Stoke (pictured below).

TREVOR Francis feared for his England future in the later stages of his career at Nottingham Forest.

He was being asked to play a winger-cum-midfield role and he admits:

"It wasn't doing my England chances any good. I didn't want to play in midfield."

However that wasn't the reason

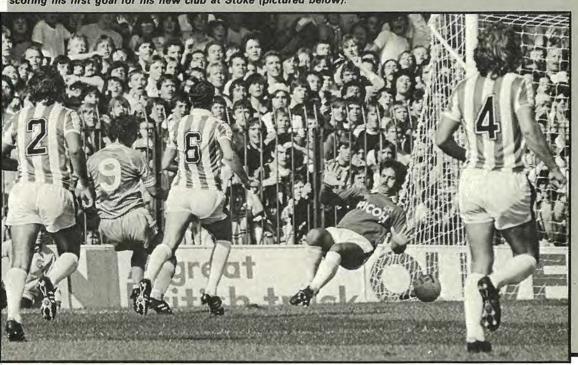
Britain's first £1 million footballer left

'My chairman, Peter Swales, told me after he'd watched Trevor Francis' fantastic debut that his hand won't shake quite so much if he's asked to sign any more big cheques' -**Manchester City boss** John Bond.

Forest to join Manchester City in what was his second seven-figure move.

Indeed he paid the biggest tribute possible to the Forest management duo of Brian Clough and Peter Taylor when he said:

"They are the best management team in the business and I want to thank them for bringing my game on



STRIKING sensation Trevor Francis reveals all about his £1 million move to Manchester City.



Manchester City manager John Bond (left) and his chairman Peter Swales are all smiles: "Trevor Francis will play a very big part in taking City back to the big time," says John.

while I was there."
No, the simple truth was that Forest couldn't afford to keep the England

star.
Says Forest manager Brian Clough:
"We had to balance the books after
spending £1½ million during the
summer and we couldn't afford to
turn down City's offer."
No one was more happy about
Forest's plight than City boss John
Bond because it meant he finally got

"I went after Peter Barnes, Joe Jordan and Justin Fashanu, but in Trevor Francis I have the best of the lot," he declared.

'I had made up my mind to go to Manchester whether it was with City or United' - Trevor Francis.

It's a statement few would dare challenge — especially after Trevor's magical debut for his new club in which he scored twice and set-up the third in a 3-1 victory over Stoke.

Speaking about his first game in City colours Trevor said:

"I never expected to do anything

like that.

"My main objective was just to play reasonably well and settle into the new routine because the first game is always the hardest.
"I'll never forget my £1 million debut for Forest against Ipswich at

Portman Road.

"After 20 minutes the fans were

chanting 'what a load of rubbish'.
"I didn't give them the same
opportunity this time!"
Trevor admitted he was
apprehensive before the game
because he hadn't even trained with

his new team mates.

But he says: "I was very impressed with City and what was more important to me was the attitude of the players. They love to go forward.

"John Bond was great in his team talk because he told us to get forward in numbers and I like that sort of notified approach.

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"It was very encouraging to see our midfield players wanting to get into striking positions."

Continued Trevor: "I won lots of honours with Forest and I'm hoping to do the same with City.

"The club gets tremendous support and is crying out for success. I hope to be part of it."

And Trevor is confident he can cope with the 'pressure' of another big money move:

"I know I can handle it.

"When I left Birmingham for Forest for £1 million I had doubts because I was the first player to cost that much. as the first player to cost that much. "Since then other players have

moved for bigger fees.
"Every player who has moved for a seven-figure fee has said that no one is worth that kind of money and I think I agree, but I don't fix the fees."

Trevor admits he had an idea that

Trevor admits he had an idea that money troubles were behind his move but he says:

"The move to City came about simply because Forest accepted their offer and because I was very impressed with John Bond.
"In fact it was Manchester United who started the ball rolling two months before when United manager Ron Atkinson met Brian Clough and they agreed a deal.

"It didn't materialise, but I must admit I had made up my mind to go to Manchester — whether it was to join United or City.
"I'm delighted it was City."





Mary has Spurs in stitches!

TOTTENHAM fan Mary Donaldson (pictured above); has recognised the club's FA Cup success in a novel way. Mary, 16, who lives at Yaxley near Peterborough, has crocheted a bed cover containing all the players' names. Who's her Tottenham favourite? "Meste columnist Glang Moddle of "Match columnist Glenn Hoddle, of course," says Mary whose father Andy, played centre-forward for Newcastle and Middlesbrough in the early fifties.

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Allen to lead England

WEST Ham's Paul Allen, the youngest player to appear in an FA Cup Final, is expected to lead England youths in the World Youth Championships being held in Australia next

He's the most experienced player in the Res the most experienced player in the 18-strong party who will open their qualifying group matches against the Cameroon in Sydney on October 3.

Also in England's group are the holders, Argentina, and host country Australia.

This is the first time that England have

reached the Finals and they are expected to qualify for the quarter finals, with two teams going through from each group.

The other groups are: Group A —
America, Uruguay, Poland and Qatar; Group
B — Rumania, Brazil, Italy and South Korea;
Group C — West Germany, Mexico, Spain

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The England squad is: Allen (West Ham), Kendall (Aston Villa), Banfield (C. Palace), Bennett (Bolton), Cooke (Sunderland), Crosby (Grimsby), Finnigan (Fulham), Greenall (Blackpool), Kinsey (Man. City), Muir (QPR), Pates and Robson (Arsenal), Southey (Tottenham), Small (Luton), Wallace (Southampton), Webb (Reading).

Liverpool re-union

SWANSEA manager John Toshack continues to strengthen his First Division squad with players with Liverpool pedigrees.

Following the signing of defender Colin Irwin from Liverpool, Toshack has bought Blackpool's Max Thompson who was once a colleague of his at Anfield.

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Defender Thompson has been at
Blackpool three seasons, following just one
League appearance for Liverpool.
He cost £40,000 which was the price
Toshack received from Third Division
Carlisle for defender David Rushbury, who
was previously with Sheffield Wednesday.

Just the ticket for Saints

SOUTHAMPTON'S season ticket sales topped £950,000 for the second successive

Newly-promoted West Ham banked in excess of £932,000, and both Aston Villa and Tottenham topped the £750,000 mark. On the other side of the coin, little

Scunthorpe in the Fourth Division, had to be satisfied with pre-season sales of just £300.



Variety's the name of the ga

VARIETY is the name of the game this season. The Variety Club of Great Britain — together with their sponsors Omega Chewing Gum - have announced a new award scheme designed to reward entertaining football.

And at the same time it will benefit under-privileged children .

Each month a panel of judges — made up from football, showbusiness, the Variety Club and football writers — will select the team which in their opinion has produced the most entertaining football.

Monthly trophies will be awarded and each of the nine winning teams will be invited to a gala dinner when the 'Team of the Year' will be announced.

And in the first year, the sponsors — Smiths Food Group, through their new Omega chewing gum brand — will provide five 'Sunshine Coaches'.

Four coaches will carry the names of monthly award winners and the fifth will carry the name of the 'Team of the Year' and be given to a home for under-privileged

children in the vicinity of the team concerned. Speaking at the launch of the new scheme,

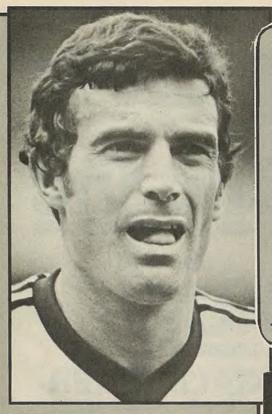
former President of FIFA and chairman of the judges panel, Sir Stanley Rous said:

There is no substitute for skill and professional footballers must be made to realise that it is their job to provide entertainment. If they don't the customers won't pay the money.

In our picture above, the stars line up at the launch of the new Variety awards scheme. Left to right they are: Bobby Moore, Emma Sames, Geoff Hurst, Robert Webster (Chief Barker, Variety Club), Suzanne Danielle, Patrick Mower, Frank McLintock, Sir Stanley Rous, Pat Partridge and Terry Downes.



WHO AM I? I began my career with Leeds United. Now turn to page 11 for the next clue.



ooking's big fi

WEST Ham and England star Trevor Brooking has warned of the danger of pricing the game out of the fans pocket. And he has hit out at the system employed

over big transfer fees.
Says Trevor: "I'd like to see less
'hire-purchase' transfer fees and I'd like to see them re-paid in one season.
"In the end football will be no career at all if

we allow it to become too commercialised. The danger is pricing the game out of the

pocket of the supporters.

"And on the subject of the fans I'd like to see much more family involvement on the

"And to that end — and to help stamp out hooliganism — what we need is more attractive football.

"I want to see players going out with style

Trevor airs these views and many more in a short television series called 'Sit Up And Listen' due to be screened by Thames Television each night for seven days in the

week beginning September 21.

The programmes — aimed at the older teenage and above age bracket — will go out as the last transmission of the day.

Trevor Brooking: "I want to see players going out with style and pride."

Withe fan club

ASTON Villa and England striker Peter Withe has formed his own fan club to help keep up with his increasing number of admirers.

Those interested in joining should write to: Peter Withe Fan Club, 1 Castle Close, Solihuli, West Midlands. Please include stamped addressed envelope.

Kidd's stuff!

BOLTON'S Brian Kidd finished third top goalscorer in America during the summer.

The former Manchester United striker scored 22 goals for Atlanta to finish behind New York's Giorgio Chinaglia (29 goals) and San Diego's Mike Stojanovic.

One goal down!

CHESTER goalkeeper Grenville Millington had

a smashing time in his side's home League Cup clash with Plymouth! With the first round tie neatly balanced at 2-2 with 12 minutes left, he collided with a goal post and brought the net crashing around his ears.

Groundstaff spent six minutes desperately trying to re-erect the goal, but in the end the referee decided to sound the 'Last Post' and abandon the first leg match.

Rothman's roll of honour

ENFIELD, who went the furthest of the non-League clubs in the FA Cup last season, are one of the six latest winners of the Rothmans Football Awards

The awards are revealed in the latest edition of the Rothmans Football Yearbook which is now firmly established as the 'bible' of

The other winners are Manchester City manager John Bond, West Brom's talented midfield player Bryan Robson, Ipswich skipper Mick Mills, Exeter's Tony Kellow, the country's top scorer last season, and **Dundee United boss Jim McLean.**

The new edition provides comprehensive coverage of last season's English and Scottish football — including line-ups, scorers and attendances of all domestic League and Cup matches as well as results of qualifying games played in the World Cup and major European cup

competitions.
Published by Queen Anne Press, it costs £7.95 (cased) and £5.95 (limp).

ATTACHED to the front of this week's value-for-money Match Weekly is another super FREE gift from your favourite football magazine.

It's the cover for your very own, personalised 'All-Star Album' ... and the first eight pages of pictures for the album are contained in this issue.

On pages 13 and 14 you will find 16 great photos of your favourite stars, complete with personal facts

and figures about each star.

Tear out the page concerned, detach the album cover from the front of Match and you are ready to start building up your fabulous picture book.

Instructions on how to use the album are contained inside the free cover.

Next week we will be giving away another 16 photographs and we will continue to do so in following weeks.

So make sure you are not disappointed by filling in the newsagents order form below.

Just hand the coupon in at your local paper shop and your newsa-gent will reserve you a copy of Match each week.

Remember — Match sells faster than Cup Final tickets!

Chelsea 'mates' get together

FORMER Chelsea favourite Tommy Baldwin has linked up again with ex-Stamford Bridge team mate John Dempsey, who is managing Isthmian League club Maidenhead.

Justin time!

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BECK

NORWICH City suffered a record loss of £327,000 last season when they were relegated to the Second Division.

However, there are a few more smiles on the directors faces at the moment with England Under-21 striker Justin Fashanu having been sold to Nottingham Forest for £1 million.

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Wolves move n take m

SAYS JOE GALLAGHER

JOE Gallagher believes that his £350,000 move to Wolves could be his passport to a World Cup Finals place with England.

The England 'B' international declared: "If Wolves can achieve

something this season I have a chance of going to Spain—if England make it." Joe, who joined Wolves after 11 years with Birmingham, added: "Blues' have never been successful and I'm sure that hasn't helped my England

"I've always said that if Trevor Francis had started his career with a successful team instead of Birmingham he'd have won 100 England caps already

"If Wolves can finish high up in the League or enjoy a good cup run, England manager Ron Greenwood could be tempted to come and look at

The England No 5 shirt is up for grabs'

"There's no doubt that the number five shirt is up for grabs. I mean no disrespect to Dave Watson, but I want to be challenging with Ipswich Town's Russell Osman and Terry Butcher.

"My first priority is to make myself a

"I believe that Wolves stand more chance than my old team because there are some tremendously skilful players

at Molineux. "That was the first thing that struck

me when I joined them. Players like Kenny Hibbitt and Andy Gray have fantastic skills.

The lads have the ability to win things — all they need now is to believe in themselves."

Joe's enthusiasm for his new team was one of the reasons why Wolves manager John Barnwell made him skipper of the side soon after signing.
"I was surprised because there are

one or two experienced players already there. Derek Parkin, Kenny Hibbitt, Peter Daniel and Geoff Palmer are all well qualified for the job.

Match writer Anthony Hawkswell turns the spotlight on new Wolves skipper Joe Gallagher . . .

"But perhaps the players needed a new face to shake the place up," added

His first match as skipper of the side went like a dream, with a 1-0 victory over European Champions Liverpool on the opening day of the season.

"Although we slipped a little after that it was great to get my new career off to such a memorable start," said

The opportunity to start a new career with Wolves came right out of the blue

with Wolves came right out of the blue for the former Birmingham skipper.
He admitted: "I never thought manager Jim Smith would sell me.
"After such a long time with one club it's been quite a shock to the system uprooting myself and moving on.

'It seems strange driving a different way to work in the morning and not seeing the same faces. It will take me a little time to get used to my new team-mates.

"Obviously I've got mixed feelings about leaving 'Blues' — they were very good to me.

"I built up a good rapport with the supporters at St Andrews and I hope the Molineux faithful will accept me in

the same way.
"But now I'm committed to helping Wolves achieve some success this term and enhance my chances of going to Spain," added the 26-year-old.

Joe's hopes were hit by defeats for Wolves against Southampton and Leeds — and by England's result in Norway.

"I mustn't let those results affect my form. I still have everything to play for,



WORLD CUP LATEST



PAUL MARINER REFLECTS ON ENGLAND'S SAD **NIGHT IN NORWAY**

'We must salvage pride at

WE have let the country, the manager and ourselves down.

There can be no excuses for the devastating World Cup defect in Norway, but I feel manager Ron Greenwood has been unfairly criticised for his part in our downfall.

His job was simply to select the team.

After that it was up to us, and on the night we let him down badly.

For the players, life goes on with League tootball, but the manager faces a difficult two months during which our World Cup fate will be decided.

That fate now lies in the hands of others, when really it should be in the hands of England. All we can do now is keep our

It's difficult to put into words the feeling after the final whistle had signalled what could be the end of our World Cup hopes.

In the dressing room there was a stunned silence and total dejection. Nobody could really believe it . . . it seemed like a nightmore.

Then comes the personal inquests as you play over and over in your own mind different situations.

I roomed with Ipswich team-mate Mick Mills and we spent most of the night talking about the game and trying to figure out

what went wrong.

Trying to remedy the problem is the job of the coaches and it's up to the people to form their own opinions.

All I know is that, as in Switzerland a few months before, we conceded silly goals in a five minute spell after making such a competent start.

competent start.

We made the ideal start with an early goal from Bryan Robson. Then it was just a matter of building from there.

They never looked like scoring until they fluked an equaliser just before half-time, and before we knew where we were, Terry McDermott unfortunately failed to control a cross and the ball fell invitingly to the feet of Thoresen — probably their best player.

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The media and me public beneve inate teams like Norway are pushovers, but that's not the case at this level.

They have several quality players in their side and we knew how difficult it was going to be. There was never any question of us underestimating them.

Whatever the reasons for our shock

Whatever the reasons for our shock defeat, it does seem strange that we can dominate European football at club level, then fail to produce the goods when it matters in internationals.

I just hope we get a chance at Wembley against Hungary to salvage some of our pride because failing to get to Spain could have a devastating effect on our game.

I'm the eternal optimist. While there is a chance, there is always hope, but at the moment it looks a very tall order.

Thankfully, my Scottish mate John Wark didn't gloat over the result. It looks as though he'll be in the Spanish sunshine next year, but our Dutchmen Frans Thijssen and Arnold Muhren are in a similar position to England. to England.

Frans in particular had several consoling words for myself, Mick Mills and Russell
Osman when we arrived back at Portman
Road from what was probably the worst
football experience of my life.



The two faces of Norway's shock winner against England. Left: Delirious Norway players congratulate scorer Hallvar Thoresen. Above: England players Phil Neal, Terry McDermott and Ray Clemence can only reflect on another England

ENGLAND, having missed out on Argentina on goal difference, could yet reach the World Cup Finals in Spain next year by that method despite the disaster in Norway.
Their hopes may well hinge on

the outcome of next Wednesday's vital clash in Bucharest between their main rivals, Rumania and

Hungary. If Rumania win, then an England victory over Hungary in the final group match at Wembley in November could see Ron Greenwood's side through on goal difference, even if the Hungarians win their other two matches — at home to Switzerland and Norway.

That would obviously be the best result for England, but there would still be a glimmer of hope if Hungary won.

Assuming Hungary take maximum points from the

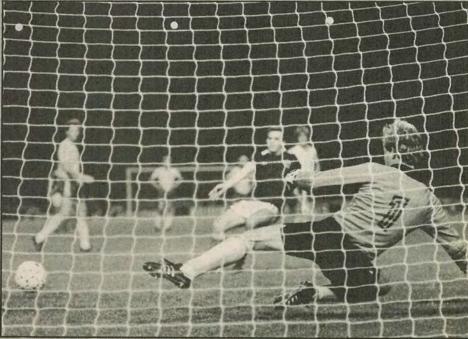
supposedly weaker nations, then Rumania would need to defeat



Below, left: Republic of Ireland striker Steve Heighway leaves Ipswich's Holland star Frans Thijssen in his wake during the 2-2 draw in Rotterdam.

Below: John Robertson sends Sweden goalkeeper Ravelli the wrong way from the penalty spot in the 80th minute to clinch a crucial Scotland victory.





Switzerland twice to eliminate England before the Wembley finale.

If they drop a point, then the door would be open for England to qualify on goal difference with a victory over Hungary.

A draw next week would be the

worst possible result from England's point of view

They would then be relying solely on the efforts of Norway and Switzerland to leave them
with an opportunity of saving face
at Wembley on November 18.
Rumania would have to drop

two points against the Swiss and **Hungary one against Switzerland** or Norway to give England a chance.

But should they both take maximum points — three points would be enough for Rumania then it would be 'goodbye' for England and not 'Ole', even before the Hungarian visit.



Left: Bryan Robson, England's goalscorer in Norway, is resisted here by one of the home heroes, Tommy Lund.

How they stand.

GROUP THREE

CZECHOSLOVAKIA (1) 2 (Davies, og, Licka) WALES (0) 0 Att: 43,000

ICELAND (1) 2 Gudmundsson, Edvaldsson) TURKEY (0) Ó

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
WALES	6	4	1	1	10	2	9
Czech	5	4	0	1	13	2	8
Russia	3	2	1	0	7	1	5
Iceland	6	2	0	4	7	18	4
Turkey	6	0	0	6	1	15	0

To play: Sept 23: Russia v Turkey; Iceland v Czechoslovakia; Oct. 7: Turkey v Russia; Oct. 14: Wales v Iceland; Oct. 28: Russia v Czechoslovakia; Nov. 28: Russia v Wales; Nov. 30: Czechoslovakia v

GROUP FOUR

NORWAY (2) 2 (Albertsen, Thoresen) ENGLAND (1) 1 (Robson) Att: 23,500

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
ENGLAND	7	3	1	3	12	8	7
Rumania	5	2	2	1	4	3	6
Norway	7	2	2	3	7	11	6
Hungary	4	2	1	1	6	6	5
Switzerland	5	1	2	2	7	8	4

To play: Sept. 23: Rumania v Hungary; Oct. 10: Rumania v Switzerland; Oct. 14: Hungary v Switzerland; Oct. 31: Hungary v Norway; Nov. 11: Switzerland v Rumania; Nov. 18: England v Hungary.

GROUP TWO

HOLLAND (1) 2 (Thijssen, Muhren, pen) REPUBLIC OF IRELAND (1) 2 (Robinson, Stapleton) Att: 46,000

BELGIUM (1) 2 (Czerniatynski, Vandenbergh) FRANCE (0) 0 Att: 50,000

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Belgium	7	5	1	1	12	6	11
REP. OF IRE.	7	3	2	2	14	9	8
Holland	6	3	1	2	8	5	7
France	5	3	0	2	12	5	6
Cyprus	7	0	0	7	4	25	0

To play: Oct. 14: Republic of Ireland v France; Holland v Belgium; Nov. 18: France v Holland; Dec. 5: France v Cyprus.

GROUP SIX

SCOTLAND (1) 2 (Jordan, Robertson, pen) SWEDEN (0) 0 Att: 81,511

the standard little	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SCOTLAND	6	4	2	0	8	2	10
N. IRELAND	6	2	2	2	5	3	6
Sweden	7	2	2	3	5	7	6
Portugal	5	2	1	2	4	4	5
Israel	6	0	3	3	2	8	3

To play: Oct. 14: N. Ireland v Scotland; Portugal v Sweden; Oct. 28: Israel v Portugal; Nov. 18: N. Ireland v Israel; Portugal v Scotland.



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MANAGERS MERRY-GO-ROUND

THE managerial merry-go-round was in full swing in the close season with many clubs hiring new bosses. Here's a list of men on the move can you match them up with their new clubs?

- 1 Bobby Murdoch
- 2 Stuart Boam
- **3 Tommy Docherty**
- 4 John Duncan
- A Preston
- B Mansfield
- C Scunthorpe
- D Middlesbrough

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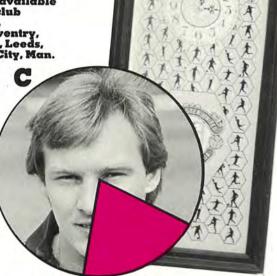
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BLANKETY BLANK

FILL in the blanks to complete these football facts.

1 Fulham striker Gordon Davies has been capped at international level by

2 Grimsby Town's striker Trevor Whymark started his League career with

3 The is the name of Halifax Town's home ground.

4 were promoted to the Scottish Premier vision last season after

> I was born in Wales. Now turn to page 23 for the next clue.

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..... scored both goals against Aston Villa in this season's Charity Shield spectacular at Wembley.

CAN you match the following clubs with their nicknames?

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- C) Tigers
- D) Terriers
- E) Spireites
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- 5) West Brom

answers

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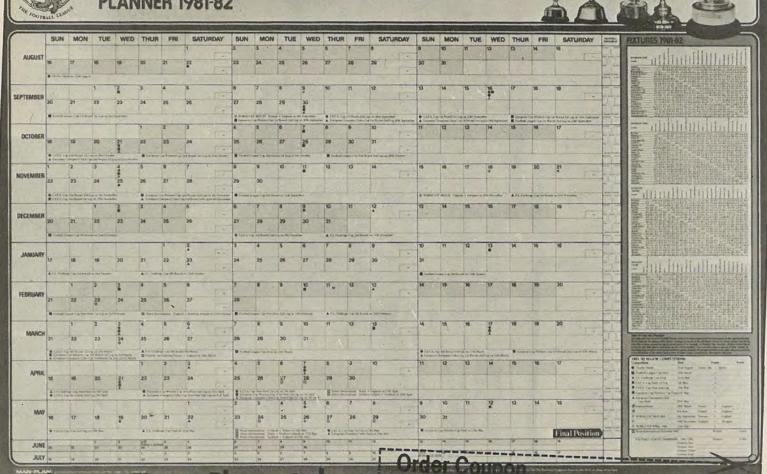
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In things I shouldn't have. As a result I collected too many bookings and was suspended for one match.

I used to think I could change the course of the game by opening my mouth, but it only got me into trouble with the referees.

I realise now that it doesn't help you or your team and I like to think I've settled

down since I joined Liverpool. In many ways

it was all part of growing up.
Sitting in the stands that day I can
remember thinking to myself: 'How am I
going to get back into the team?' They played so well.

But Jack Charlton did include me for the next game against Carlisle . . . and we lost!

It was very depressing for me because they had done so well without me and as soon as I came back we slumped to a 2-0 home defeat.

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But I soon learned I couldn't change the game by opening my mouth'

All their star names were on show - Ray Clemence, Emlyn Hughes, Kevin Keegan, Steve Heighway, Ray Kennedy, and lan Callaghan — but we sneaked through with a last minute goal from sweeper Willie Maddren.

My only regret about that 1-0 win was that more people weren't able to see it. There was a bus strike in the city and just under 25,000 - less than half the Anfield usual — turned up.

We finally went out of the competition in a replay at Old Trafford against Manchester United. They won 3-0 after goals from Stuart

Pearson, Sammy McIlroy and Lou Macari.
I must admit I was surprised how easy I found First Division football. I thought it would be much harder.

But you can play more in the higher level and that suited my style. And other people must have been

impressed by my form because in October I was selected by Scotland for a friendly international against East Germany.
I can remember it was a miserable night

and I didn't fancy playing that much. Hampden Park was cold and covered with

International

icy water.
But we beat them 3-0 with a Tommy
Hutchison penalty and goals from Kenny
Burns and Kenny Dalglish.
That match gave me the false impression

that international football was easy — I learned soon afterwards that friendlies like that are completely different to competitive matches!

For just a couple of weeks later I was picked for the European Championship qualifier against Spain at Hampden and we lost 2-1.

That was a different kettle of fish completely. We went one up thanks to Billy Bremner and then Tommy Hutchison

missed a penalty.
If 'Hutch' had scored then there would have been no looking back, but the miss gave the Spaniards confidence and they stuck two goals past 'keeper David Harvey

I played just one more game for Scotland (against Sweden) and didn't get another chance until I joined Liverpool. On the club front Middlesbrough had

proved that they were good enough to hold their own in the First Division.

In fact I believe that if the directors had allowed manager Jack Charlton to take the club into debt and buy a couple of players

we'd have been a very good team.
We were just two class players short of becoming serious challengers and the club should have let Jack make the most of the set-up he'd built

Middlesbrough have always had an

SCOTLAND and Liverpool midfield

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unfashionable tag and I know they don't get big crowds, but there was a chance of hitting the big time with that side.

Unfortunately Jack Charlton was on his way and the team began to break up. I'll tell you more about that next week . .

 Graeme Souness was talking to Anthony Hawkswell.

Left: Tommy Hutchison — his miss from the spot could have cost Scotland victory over Spain.

NEXT WEEK: Barracked by 'Boro' supporters and my move to Liverpool . . . remember it's only in MATCH.

Stratton on Saturda

MAN in a million Trevor Francis took just 36 minutes before he began repaying the huge fee Manchester City paid for him.

That's how long it took him to get on the scoresheet in his debut for City against Stoke.

And when he added a second to seal the points it left no-one in doubt that it was money well-spent.

City look good for another three points on Saturday when they face Birmingham — their new star striker's first League club!

I've forecast a result for that match and nine others from up and down the country. And if you can beat me at my own game

you can win £5.

My special guest opponent this week is 16-year-old Steven Bell of Edinburgh, Scotland.

You can see Steven's predictions alongside mine in the special panel.

If you would like the chance to see your predictions in print, like Steven, all you have to do is send in your name, age and address together with a black and white photograph of yourself — and most importantly your home telephone number.

All the entries we receive will be kept in a

special file and each week one lucky reader will be picked to compete against me in the

Points are awarded according to how accurate the predictions are and if you manage to score more than me you are a winner.

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 Bad luck to my second challenger, lan Johnson, of Manchester, who lost 11 points to four on the second Saturday of the



Pictured left is my special guest opponent this week, Steven Bell, whose favourite teams are **Hibernian** and Leeds and favourite players Jackie McNamara and Arthur Graham.

HERE are Paul Stratton's selected matches for this Saturday, together with those of his special guest opponent.

There's a space for you to fill in your forecasts and a column for the actual result. Award yourself two points for every score you get right and one point if you get the result right (i.e. home win, away win, draw),

but the scoreline wrong. Carry your points total forward each week and at the end of the season you will know who the champion forecaster is.

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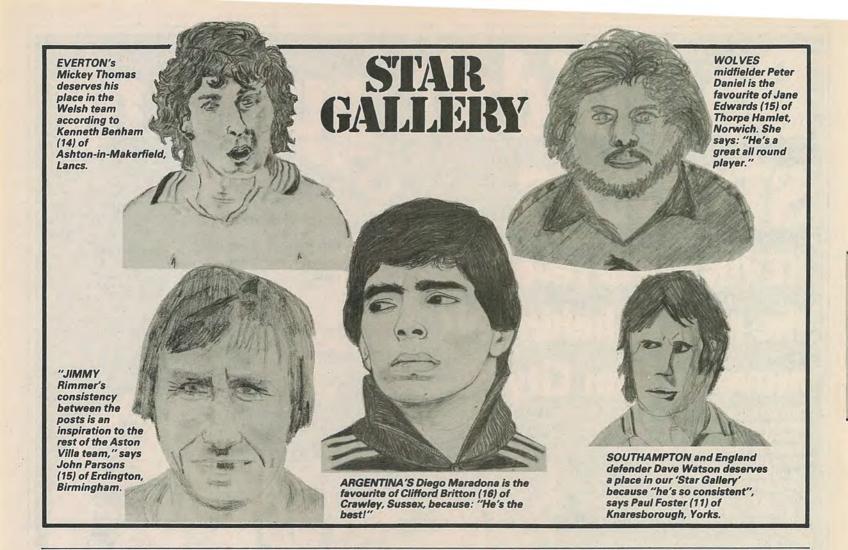
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Six teams — Birmingham, Southampton, Stoke, Swansea, West Brom and West Ham - hit four or more goals in their opening three matches.

And there were no fewer than five hat-tricks . . . from Bob Latchford (Swansea), David Cross (West Ham), Arthur Graham (Leeds), Cyrille Regis (West Brom), and Ian Wallace (Nottingham Forest).

No doubt the Football League would like to believe that the introduction of three points for a win has led to this goal bonanza.

It may simply be a case of coincidence . . . but whatever the reasons for the enterprise, it's an

encouraging start.
West Ham's David Cross, the First Division's top scorer after the first week with five goals, feels it's far too early to pinpoint any particular reason for the goal feast.

"Obviously, all the players are aware of three points for a win, but

then the defenders are also well aware that they have got to stop teams getting three points against them," says David, who blasted Tottenham aside with a four-goal show at White Hart Lane.

One will have a better guide as to the success of the extra point for a win a bit later in the season.

There wasn't three points for a win the last time more goals were scored, so no doubt everybody then was looking for reasons.

Leeds' Arthur Graham, whose best start to the season coincided with his axing from Scotland's World Cup squad for the match against Sweden, is somewhat bemused by the figures.

The three points for a win might have something to do with it, but it's probably just one of those things in football which is difficult to explain," says Arthur, who took his tally to four with a hat-trick against Wolves . . . and that's one more than he scored in the whole of last season.

From the Leeds point of view we are just going out to win matches and the introduction of three points has made no real difference to our approach.

'It's my best-ever start to a season and I've been lucky enough to be in the right spot at the right time to put away the goals.

"Hopefully I can keep the run going and get my place back in the Scotland squad." Goals galore in the best opening week for ten years

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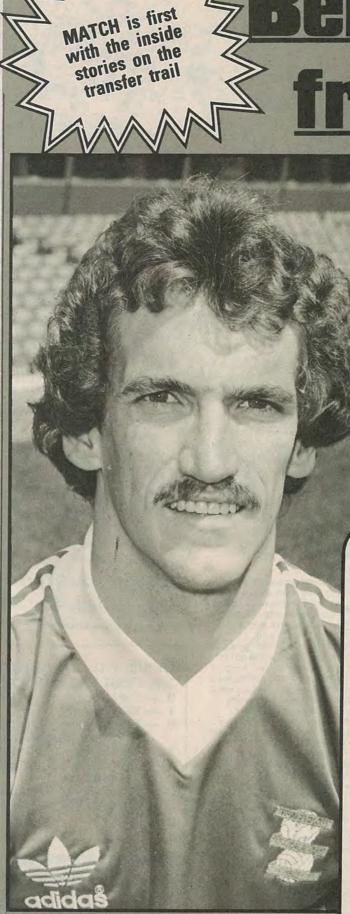
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Birmingham's Dutch international striker Tony Van Mierlo, who scored a dream debut goal against Everton.

Bertschin from the

NEW Norwich striker Keith Bertschin has dropped into the Second Division to escape the Birmingham 'boo-boys'.

Keith admits that one of the main reasons for his £200,000 move from Birmingham was the treatment he received from the fans on the terraces at St Andrews last season.

"I could have stayed with Birmingham. In fact manager Jim Smith told me that I would start the new season in the first team," said Keith.

"But the treatment I received from a small section of the fans did upset me.

"It got to such a stage that I was glad when the manager dropped me last term," he admitted.

"The criticism was very difficult for me to shake off and it was one of the reasons why I left.

"Everything was okay while Birmingham were doing well last season, but once things started to

Double [Van Mier

BIRMINGHAM have followed lpswich Town's lead and gone double Dutch this season.

'Blues' manager Jim Smith came back from a pre-season shopping trip in Holland with Dutch internationals Tony Van Mierlo and Bud Brocken.

And he no doubt hopes that the pair can have the same impact as their Dutch countrymen Frans Thijssen and Arnold Muhren.

Striker Tony repaid part of his £150,000 fee on his debut for Birmingham against Everton when he scored after just four minutes.

And the cross for his goal came from his former Willem II partner Bud Brocken!

Says Tony: "Even though we lost the game 3-1 it was a great way to start my Birmingham career. Scoring a goal on your debut is something a player dreams about."

And Tony had plenty of time to contemplate how he would start his English career, because his transfer to Birmingham was more or less fixed up a year before he arrived at St Andrews.

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me.
"The treatment they gave me was un-called for and I was upset by it," admitted Keith.

But that apart I had four smashing years with Birmingham and the decision to leave was a very difficult one."

Keith decided to agree terms with Norwich even though he rediscovered his goalscoring touch with five goals in six pre season

"Norwich are ambitious to make a quick return to the top flight and I hope I can help them.

'And if we don't make it back at our first attempt we've only ourselves to blame," said the striker who started his career with East Anglian rivals Ipswich.

"Norwich are a footballing side and our only problem could be mixing it, we've got to learn to knuckle down.

"I'll never forget Birmingham's first game in their 1979-80 promotion year. We were leading 3-0 at half-time against Fulham and finished up 4-3 losers.

That defeat taught me that you've got to fight your way out of the Second Division," said Keith, who signed a three year contract with Norwich on his 25th birthday.

And Keith warned that Norwich City's promotion hopes could come unstuck against the less fashionable Second Division sides.

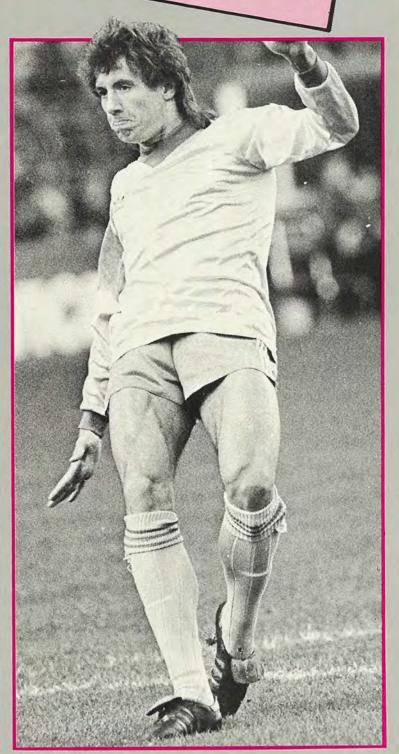
"Our attitude has got to be right for every game — it's no good going into a match against a lesser side thinking we've got it won.

"We'll be able to rise to the occasion against the better teams it's the smaller ones we should fear," added Keith.

Norwich players will agree with Keith's sentiments following their disastrous opening day when they crashed 4-1 at newly promoted Rotherham.

We just didn't play that day. We went through the motions and paid for it. It should have taught us a valuable lesson.

ONE out ... one in! Match writer Anthony Hawkswell meets new Norwich striker Keith Bertschin and the man who replaced him Birmingham, Tony



Above: New Nor-wich striker Keith Bertschin — the fans at Birming-ham drove him away fr Andrews. from



Coventry was my second Football League club. Now turn to page 33 for the next

Jutch — that's lo and Brocken

He explained: "I'd just signed a two year contract with Willem when I heard that Birmingham were interested. So I gave them my word that if I decided to come to England I would talk to them first.

"At the time of Birmingham's initial interest things looked bright at Willem, but later on they hit financial problems and they needed the cash," said Tony.

Tony got to know all about his new club from former 'Blues' utility man Jimmy Calderwood, who played for Willem last season.

"I looked out for their results last season and considering they'd just been promoted I thought the team did very well," said Tony.

The Dutchman's appetite for the English game was whetted by the success Frans Thijssen and Arnold Muhren were enjoying at Portman Road.

"I lost interest in playing in Holland. I wanted to play in front of bigger crowds," he admitted.

And the 24-year-old Dutch international has had little problem settling in to his new surroundings in the Midlands.

"Arriving with Bud has helped enormously. We've both been able to help each other."

Although he's only played a handful of games in this country the striker is in no doubt that it's a harder League to play in.

"It's so much more physical and a lot faster than in Holland.

'In England players are running about for the full 90 minutes whereas in Holland there can be intervals in the game where the pace is much slower."

But Tony, who's signed a two year contract with Birmingham, knows that there are two difficult seasons ahead of him.

"We've got to be satisfied with the same sort of League position that we finished in last season," he said.

"Three players have left the club and it's going to take some time before the new arrivals get used to each other.

"But I believe we should be in a position to start challenging for honours next term."





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Hamilton

JOHNSON aims to repay NEWPORT

FORMER Manchester City and Crystal Palace midfield player Jeff Johnson was not flattered by the fact that he was at the centre of one of the summer's biggest transactions involving a Third Division club.

Newport County had to pay £60,000 for his services just five years after he had joined Sheffield Wednesday on a

free transfer. Jeff felt a little aggrieved at the size of the price tag, but Newport manager Len Ashurst, ironically the man who signed him when manager of Wednesday, wasn't frightened by the fee.

He stepped in to sign the midfield dynamo for a second time in a bid to boost his club's promotion aims, and Jeff immediately responded with the winner on his debut against Chesterfield.

Jeff is glad to be back in his native Wales, even though he was hoping to stay in the Second Division.

"I would have preferred to stay in the Second, but the chance to return to Wales was too good to be missed," he

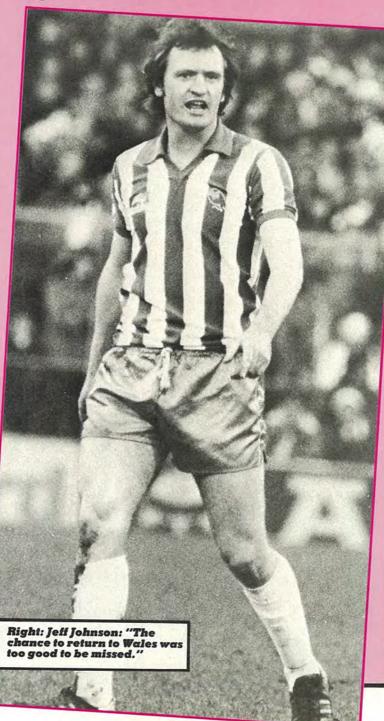
says.

"Newport had a good run in
Europe last season and I'm
hoping I'll be back in the Second Division next year."

Jeff admits he was

Jeff admits he was
surprised that Newport came
in for him with such a price
tag round his neck.
"Considering I cost
Wednesday nothing and had
given five years' service, I
thought they might have
reduced the fee.
"Still I'm glad everything
has worked out. I played a
little while under Len Ashurst
and I found him yery straight and I found him very straight

and honest. "Although it was my decision to leave Wednesday after failing to agree terms with manager Jack Charlton, I've got some fond memories of my time at Hillsborough."



NORTHERN Ireland striker Billy Hamilton has his eyes fixed on next year's World **Cup Finals from the** unglamorous surroundings of the Third Division.

While players from the England and Scotland squads prepare for Spain in the top flight, the 24-year-old Burnley forward attempts to retain his international form miles away from the limelight.

But the new-found Irish talent doesn't believe the absence of regular top grade football is

proving too much of handicap. And Scotland will vouch for that. He scored the winner against them on his international debut in Belfast last year to set the Irish on the way to the British Championship.

Then he repeated the dose in Glasgow a few months later as the lrish earned a vital World Cup point from a 1-1 draw. "I know we don't get long

together before international matches, but being involved with First Division players brings the



Tommy Docherty — one of Billy Hamilton's four different managers at QPR.

best out of me," he says.
"It may sound funny, but if anything it's easier in the First Division because you are allowed

more time to express yourself.
"In the Third Division, defenders
tend to rush in all the time — not giving you that much time on the ball."

The former Linfield forward speaks from experience, having played a handful of games in the First Division with Queen's Park Rangers before his £55,000 move

to Burnley two seasons ago. "Obviously I would love to get back into Division One, but I'm

very happy at Burnley.
"I'm hoping I can go places with
them and I certainly believe we
have a very good chance of
promotion this season", says Billy,
who burst on to the First Division scene three years ago after Queen's Park Rangers had signed him from Linfield for £40,000.

Billy, who had helped Linfield clinch the Irish League 'double', quit university to fulfil his ambition of playing in the Football League. "I had one year of a four-year

teaching course to complete when QPR came in for me after seeing me play for the Irish youth team against Eire. "Derby were also interested, but

I was impressed with QPR and signed without having talks with Derby.

"But in the space of a few months at Loftus Road, QPR had three different men in charge after Frank Sibley had been sacked. "There was Alec Stock, Steve

Burtenshaw and Tommy Docherty. You can probably please two of them but not all the lot and so I became available for transfer.

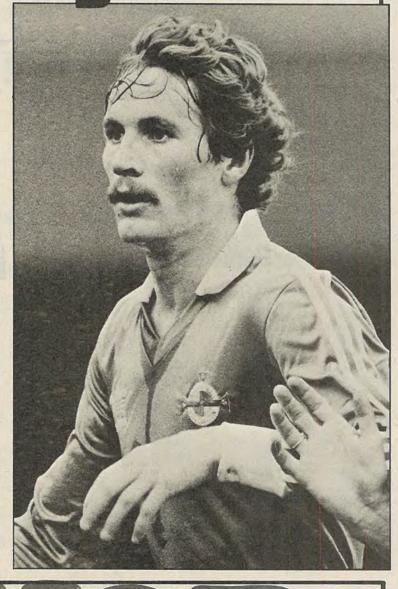
'Burnley moved in and I've no regrets about coming here, even though we were relegated in my

'If anything I am now reaping the benefits from all the coaching and hard work put in by QPR coach

Theo Foley.
"When I moved to QPR I had only been used to part-time football, so I had to learn all the basics and get used to full time training."

Right: Billy Hamilton — aiming for the top from the basement.

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by MITCH

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A FAILURE'

Striker Mick Harford, talks about his move to Bristol City after only eight months at Newcastle

MICK Harford, sold by Newcastle after just a handful of matches, has declared: "I wasn't a failure."

Success-starved Geordie fans may think otherwise after just four goals in 19 League appearances last season following his £180,000 move from Lincoln.

But they have been weened on famous centre forwards like Jackie Milburn, Wyn Davies, Malcolm Macdonald and Peter Withe, and young Mick was unable to lay the ghosts to any great degree.

"I admit that I did feel the pressure when playing at home and probably that's why I didn't play too well," says Bristol City's new £150,000 striker.

"Newcastle is steeped in history and a lot of great players have worn the number nine



Peter Withe (now Aston Villa) - just one of the many famous names to wear the Newcastle number nine shirt.

shirt. I was always conscious of that. "But I don't think I was a failure.

"I know I could have done a lot better but I felt I didn't play too badly away from home when the pressures weren't so great.

"I was looking forward to the start of this season when this surprise move to Bristol came about.

"Obviously I was disappointed because being from the North East I would have loved to have stayed and help the club achieve some success.

"But I'm not blaming the fans for my transfer. I made a lot of friends up there and I've left the club on the best of terms.

'I was there only about eight months but I feel I have learned a lot from my experience and I hope that I have left a better player."

The early signs are that Newcastle's loss is Bristol's gain.

He scored in his first three matches to help repay some of the faith shown in him by manager Bobby Houghton.

"I've not lost my confidence in front of goal and I hope I can continue among the goals to try and help City back into the Second Division," says the Sunderland-born player, who scored 41 goals in 115 matches for Lincoln.

"It wasn't a difficult decision to make once I had seen the set-up at Ashton Gate.

"There is Second or even First Division potential here and I hope I can be part of any future success.

"With no guarantee of first team football if I had stayed at Newcastle, this move has given me the chance of regular League football, which is what I want."

NEXT WEEK: Match talks to Imre Varadi — the man who has replaced Mick Harford in the Newcastle forward line.



I AM a 12-year-old Manchester United supporter who would like a pen pal who supports either Manchester United or Ipswich. Scott Armour, 34 Ennis Avenue, Pakuranga, Auckland, New Zealand.

I AM a 17-year-old Liverpool supporter who would like a male pen pal, aged 17 or 18, who comes from Liverpool and suports the

Wendy Lipscombe, 27 Lee Road, Snodland,

AM a 15-year-old Arsenal fan who would like a pen pal of 14 and over who supports any team except Tottenham. Tina Nixon, 16 Colne Road, Clapton Park, London E5.

I AM a Sheffield Wednesday fan who would like a pen pal, aged between 14 and 16, who supports any team. Jane Gill, 24 Dominoe Grove, Shirebrook Vale, Intake, Sheffield 12.

I AM a 15-year-old Manchester City supporter who would like a pen pal of about my own age who supports any team other than Manchester United.

Andrew Bowden, 42 Hollymount Gardens, Offerton, Stockport, Cheshire.

I AM a nine-year-old Arsenal supporter who would like a pen pal from anywhere. Brian Smith, 32 Chapel Garth, Dalton, Thirsk, North Yorks.

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THERE's no sign of a letup in the import of foreign stars into the First Division.

Eight new Continental faces were revealed in the first week of the season, if you include Liverpool's Rhodesian goalkeeper Bruce Grobbelaar.

Four others were actual newcomers to English football, Birmingham's Dutch strikers Tony Van Mierlo and Bud Brocken, Middlesbrough's Heini Otto, also from Holland, and Coventry's Belgian recruit Rudi Kaiser.

The other three, Swansea's Yugoslav defenders Dzemal Hadziabdic and Ante Rajkovic, and Notts County goalkeeper Raddy Avramovic, another player from Yugoslavia, graduated from the Second Division.

There are now more than twenty overseas players on the books of 15 First Division clubs, and 16 of them were on

show in the opening week. A total of nine different countries are now represented in the First Division, excluding the Home Countries, the latest being Finland whose international forward Aki **Lahtinen has joined Notts** County from champions Oulon for £120,000.

As yet, there are no Italians, Spaniards or West Germans on view, and that's unlikely to change while their wage levels remain so lucrative.

But wages and conditions in England are certainly favourable to players from the rest of Europe and parts of South America.

And with inflationary trends continuing in our domestic transfer market, managers will continue to search overseas for bargain buys.

Ipswich manager Bobby Robson must be the envy of most when considering that his talented Dutch pair of Frans Thijssen, last season's Footballer of the Year' and Arnold Muhren, cost a total of £350,000 from Twente.

The Spurs duo of Villa and Ardiles cost less than £700,000, which is also chicken feed' in the light of £1 million players.

For instance, the six Dutch players currently operating in the First Division cost less in total than Nottingham Forest's Justin Fashanu, Manchester United's Frank Stapleton or Man. City's Trevor Francis.

Those three strikers cost the tidy sum of £3 million . . . and for less than that outlay, 22 foreign players have been brought to these shores!

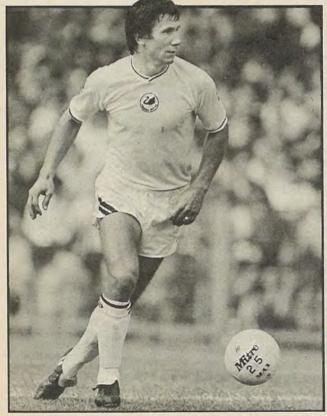


Above: Yugoslavian goalkeeper Raddy Avramovic. Below left: Swansea's

Yugoslavian defender Ante

More and more of Britain's soccer bosses are turning to the . . .

Rajkovic.



HERE's an at-a-glance guide to the foreign imports — showing which clubs they play for, which clubs they were transferred from, their nationalities and their fees.

BIRMINGHAM BRIGHTON Moshe Gariani (Maccabi Nathanya)......£40,000 (Israeli) COVENTRY Rudi Kaiser (Royal Antwerp)...... Exchauge (Belgian) IPSWICH Arnold Muhren (Twente)......£150,000 (Dutch) s Thijssen (Twente)£200,000 (Dutch) Bruce Grobbelaar (Vancouver) £250,000 (Rhodesian)
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Ricky Villa (Racing) £350,000 (Argentinian) Rafael Villazan (Huelva)£150,000 (Uruguayan)

Best of **British**

ALTHOUGH the four home nations will continue to have four separate teams I think they should form one joint team for special occasion matches.

matches.

My team would be: Shilton (England), Jones (Wales), Thompson (England), Gray F. (Scotland), McDermott (England), Jordan (Scotland), Dalglish (Scotland), Keegan (England), James (Wales), Robertson (Scotland), Bubs: McGrain (Scotland), Miller (Scotland), Hoddle (England). Nick Parry, Devizes, Wilts. Nick Parry, Devizes, Wilts.

New system a success

THE longer break between last season and this certainly whetted

the fans' appetite.

On opening day the atmosphere at the games was tremendous and if the all-action exciting games are repeated throughout the season it must be said three points for a win is a success.

Alastair Slade (13), Emsworth, Hants.

 What are your views on the effect of three points for a win? — Write and tell us.

Transfer team-up

THREE Match readers have come up with teams of players who were transferred

Clemence, Gidman, Gray, Johnston, Price, Lawrenson, Blair, Proctor, Jordan,

Stapleton, Barnes, Fashanu.
Daren, Sible Hedingham, Essex.

Clemence, Gidman, Lawrenson, Blair, Munro, Grealish, Proctor, Thomas, Jordan, Barnes, Stapleton.

Clemence, Gidman, Gray, Price, Proctor, Lawrenson, Mackenzie, Case, Jordan,

was terrible news. I'm sure all Arsenal fans will agree

especially those who went to the

opening game of the season. We

miss him now and will miss him

even more as the season goes on. Mark Franklin,

Tottenham, London.

during the close season.

Stapleton, Barnes.

Ray Clemence — a goalkeeper who won special popularity with the fans says Chris Shaw.

What price attacking

players being sold for fees of well

However bad the actual fees are it shows clubs are attaching more

> Alistair Janusch, Windsor, Berks.

football?

ALTHOUGH it is disgusting to see over £1 million it is pleasing to see that most of the costly players — Gray, Francis, Reeves, Fashanu, Wallace and Archibald are all strikers.

value to attacking football

Lichfield, Staffs. Missing Frank on Ron! ARSENAL selling Frank Stapleton

Hugh Cardiff (12),

Dundrum, Dublin.

Antony Beard (13),

I'M very upset at the criticism blasted at Ron Atkinson since he United.

should pick his new signing John Gidman and think he did very well in swopping him with Mike

Even so Ray was quick to point out that the Liverpool back four deserved much of the credit during

that record-breaking season.

Now that Clemence has started a new career at Tottenham, all eyes will be on Bruce Grobbelar, but it will be extremely difficult for him to repeat the incredible success of his illustrious

predecessor. Ray Clemence is a goalkeeper

Ray Clemence is a goalkeeper who won special popularity with the Liverpool fans.

I just wish him lots of luck with his new club this season and look forward to seeing him back at Anfield when Liverpool entertain Spurs. He can be sure of an extra special reception that day.

Chris Shaw, Diggle, Lancs.



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Stop picking

was appointed boss at Manchester

I agree with him that England

Stop picking on him — he's only doing what he thinks is best for

I'M sure I speak for all Liverpool supporters when I pay tribute to the wonderful service that England

goalkeeper Ray Clemence gave to the 'Reds' during his 14 years association with the club.

On countless occasions his agility and handling played a major part in Liverpool's success.

Season 1978-79 was probably

He conceded only 14 League goals — of which only four were scored at Anfield.

Clem's best.

David Roper (13), Nottingham.

Jordan in

We were setting out on our holiday to Italy this year and who should be on our plane but Joe Jordan — on his way out to join AC Milan. During the flight I was lucky enough to have a chat with him and

get his autograph.
On arrival in Milan the airport had

been invaded by 2,000 fans screaming 'Jordan, Jordan'

I later saw Joe make his debut and he scored twice.

Sandro Monetti (13), Blackpool, Lancs.

go? here wil honours

HERE's a few more of your predictions for this season . . .

Ipswich will win the League,
Aston Villa the FA Cup (beating
Southampton), West Ham the
League Cup (beating Spurs),
Leicester, Q.P.R., and Norwich will
set promotion and Celtiquell will get promotion and Celtic will win the Scottish Premier title. Simon Belding (14), Stilton,

Peterborough.

NOTTS County will finish fifteenth in the First Division, go out in the quarter-finals of the FA Cup and reach the semi-finals of the League Cup. Tottenham will win the League while Swansea, Birmingham and Wolves will go

Kenneth Hamilton, South Carbrain, Scotland.

LIVERPOOL will win the League. Manchester City come second and Brighton, Middlesbrough and Notts County will go down. Nicholas Parker, Drayton, Norfolk.

Super Hibs!

HIBERNIAN are the best team in Scotland. Jackie McNamara and Ralph Callaghan should both be in the Scotland team. Hibs will win the Premier title this year and maybe the Scottish Cup too. Jock Stein — get along to Easter Road.

George Peters, Polbeth, West Lothian, Scotland.

Golden Goof!

goalscoring problems this season . . . but Grimsby will have to tighten up their defence judging by the press clipping sent in by R. Ellis of Finchfield, Wolverhampton.

Watch Leicester go?

LEIGESTER City may have dropped down to Division Two last season, but they are a side to watch very

carefully. Liverpool, Tottenham and Manchester United were all Manchester United were all caught out by Leicester last season and I'm sure they will bounce back with talented players like Alan Young, Jim Melrose, Gary Lineker and Paul Friar in the side.

P.S. I support Liverpool. Hoidi Hodgkin, Caldecott, Leics.

Kennedy shocker

AS a Liverpool supporter I was shocked to read that Mark Lawrenson had taken the place of this year's European Cup hero, Alan Kennedy, in the Liverpool team. I like Mark Lawrenson, but I would like to see Alan in the side.

Declan Lennon, Athlone, Ireland.



Liverpool's Alan Kennedy -Declan Lennon was shocked to see him lose his place in the side.

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Newcastle0	Watford 1
	Cardiff2
Rotherham4	Norwich 1
Wrexham1	QPR3

Sexton to leave Coventry?

HERE are my predictions for the

coming season . . . Division One: Wolves sell Andy

Gray for a little over £1 million . Swansea reach the top ten, but fall away . . . Manchester United are champions with Ipswich and Spurs close-up . . . Dave Sexton leaves Coventry and Jimmy Sirrel is sacked by Notts County . . . West Ham and Notts County just survive relegation . . . Stoke, Wolves and

Division Two: Leicester sell Jim Melrose who goes back north of the border . . . Sheffield Wednesday, Blackburn Rovers and Q.P.R. get promotion . . . Oldham

Q.P.K. get promotion . . . Oldnam just survive, but Shrewsbury, Grimsby and Wrexham go down. Division Three: David Kemp leaves Plymouth . . . the main five promotion candidates are Newport, Plymouth, Fulham, Brentford and Chesterfield - the latter three going up . . . Chester, Gillingham, Swindon and Doncaster go down. Division Four: Peterborough,

Northampton, Colchester and Bury (champions) go up. Mark Amos, Whitchurch, Cardiff.

More predictions next week.

Pathetic Leeds

SO all of a sudden Swansea are the best thing since Forest just because they beat Leeds.

I was at that match with thousands of other United fans and all we saw was a Third Division outfit play a very average game — the reason they won is because Leeds were so pathetic. Craig Henry, Bradshaw,

• Funny how defeat for your favourite team is never caused by the opposition playing well, isn't it?

Price — a pleasure to watch

I would like to pay tribute to Paul Price who left Luton for Spurs. I'm sure many people will join me in thanking him for the loyalty, good sportsmanship and great captaincy he showed at Luton. It was always a pleasure to watch

Thanks a lot Paul and good luck. Ian Saunders (14), Harpenden,

DUTRAGED

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want to avoid too many visiting hooligans.
They are waiting a few years, but when hooliganism dies down they will win the Division One title.
Lee Smith, Harworth, Yorks.

Ever thought about a career as a comic Lee? I've heard some lame excuses in my

time, but this one takes the biscuit. You'll be waiting for ever . . . and you can do it from the changing room. You're off!

Sent



Three-point

blunder

AWARDING three points for a win and one point for a draw is the biggest mistake the League has biggest mistake the League has ever made. Take the 3-3 draw between ipswich and Sunderland on opening day — it was one of the most entertaining games you could wish to see, but the teams only got one point and found themselves two points adrift of teams who snatched an early goal and sat on their lead.

Ceri Locke (14), West Cross, Swansea.

• The reason it was such an entertaining game is that both team's were going for victory and three points. The system's good and you are booked!

Bank on **Brighton**

I'M outraged that the bookmakers have made Liverpool, Ipswich and Aston Villa favourites to win the First Division. My team Brighton will have the Championsip sewn up by

A. Langan, Portslade, Sussex.

• Yes and pigs might fly. The only thing Brighton will have in the bag by Christmas is their turkey dinner! You are in the book.

Belt up Bond!

I'M sick and tired of reading about John Bond's impending signings in the papers. He was so busy talking he let both Peter Barnes and Justin Fashanu slip through the net. He's more interested in voicing his opinions than doing his job properly.

Jean Monk (14), Preston, Lancs.

 He didn't do a bad job chatting up Trevor Francis to sign for City. Now it's time for you to eat your words . . . and you're booked for jumping the gun.

Paisley's gone too far

BOB Paisley has gone too far. He has bought far too many players at one time and they have not played together long enough to maintain the high standards required at such a club.

Stephen Postings (14), South Shields, Tyne and Wear.

What you are saying is that they now have too many good players to win anything. It's utter tripe and you can buy yourself some chips to go with it because you've won yourself £2 for getting booked.



I'm hoping to play in the World Cup Finals in Spain. Now turn to page 43 for the next clue.

That was the week that was

World-class Masson the Tartan hero

That Copenhagen thril

Four years ago Scotland's happy fans were rehearsing their South American serenades as Ally MacLeod's side virtually booked their ticket to Argentina with a 3-1 defeat of Czechoslovakia at Hampden Park.

It was a night of celebration as the jubilant Scottish manager declared: "It was our best performance for years."

performance for years."

And he acclaimed midfield star Don Masson, now in America after helping Notts County back into the First Division, as 'world class'.

"He was the outstanding player on the pitch,"

added Ally.

Big Joe Jordan headed Scotland in front after 18 minutes and Asa Hartford added a second before

Goals by Kenny Dalglish and Czech star Miroslav completed the scoring in the second half and Scotland had taken a decisive step towards their second successive appearance in the World Cup Finals.

But, as everyone knows, hysteria turned to despair in Argentina as Ally's Army trudged

"I'M an advocate of attacking football — but

Greenwood reacted to the nail-biting 4-3 win

The Copenhagen thriller provided quite a

Championship hopes against a Danish side

that was not expected to provide much of a

But England came close to a dose of the

Danish blues, despite taking an early two-goal lead with a couple of Kevin Keegan

That was how England manager Ron

that was carrying it to the extremes.

in Denmark three years ago.

scare for England's European

barrier in the qualifying stages.

home, heads bowed, after embarrassing displays against Peru and Iran which even a victory over the eventual beaten finalists, Holland, could not

> **Match Weekly takes** a fascinating look back at important football events that took place this week in years gone by.



Former Notts County player Don Masson, who was described by ex-Scotland manager Ally MacLeod as 'world class'.

dynamic Allan Simonsen, began the home

comeback with a penalty. And before the interval Ajax player Arneson had levelled matters to put England's bid for Italy in jeopardy.

Denmark's answer to Keegan, the

Bob Latchford, restored to England colours, grabbed a disputed third goal early in the second half and full back Phil Neal appeared to have put the match beyond reproach with a fourth goal.

However, little Simonsen had the last word with a third Danish goal near the end to set up a nerve-jangling finale.

Sept 19, 1978 BIRMINGHAM sign Argentinian full back Alberto Tarantini for a club record £259,000.

Sept 23, 1976 AFTER a successful career with Leeds United, former Scotland skipper Billy Bremner joins Hull City.

Sept 23, 1977 SCOTLAND's Archie Gemmill leaves Derby for Nottingham Forest for £100,000 plus young goalkeeper John Middleton.

Sept 19, 1977
MANCHESTER United are thrown
out of the European Cup Winners'
Cup because of their fans'
behaviour in St.-Etienne. The
decision was later reversed after
an appeal.

Sept 24, 1979 FORMER England striker Peter Osgood is given a free transfer by Chelsea.

Sept 22, 1976
WEST BROM winger Willie
Johnstone is sent off for the tenth
time in his career in League Cup
clash with Brighton.

Sept 24, 1976
ALAN Foggon joins Sunderland
from Manchester United for £25,000
without playing a first team match.

UNTHINKABLE! Moore gives way to Hunter



EIGHT years ago the almost unthinkable happened . . . England dropped their skipper Bobby Moore.

Having already broken Billy Wright's record of 105 international caps, Bobby was dropped for the first time for the clash with Austria at Wembley.

Leeds' iron defender Norman Hunter took over Bobby's familiar sweeping role from where he had led England to their 1966 World Cup triumph.

Left: Martin Peters took over as England captain when Bobby Moore was dropped eight years ago.

His job as captain went to his West Ham colleague Martin Peters and England romped to a 7-0 victory with Mick Channon and Allan Clarke both scoring twice.

Martin Chivers, Tony Currie and Colin Bell got the others.

Bobby, who made his England debut back in 1962, returned for the match with Italy a few months later but the 1-0 defeat proved to be his farewell performance after 11 years and 108 caps.

Focus on Exeter City striker . . .





Tommy Hutchison (Man City) v West Brom, Division One, Maine Road, Sat, Aug 19, 1981. Final score: City 2 West Brom 1.

TOMMY Hutchison, the mercurial Manchester City midfield general, conjured up a magical goal to set Maine Road alight on the opening day of the season.

West Brom were the victims of Tommy's 14th minute gem, a simply engineered build-up that produced a clinical execution from the rangy Scot.
The former Coventry star recalls the goal that ranks as a

close second to his FA Cup final header against Tottenham in his personal gallery of great

moments.
"I picked up the ball just in our half of the field when Ray Ranson headed down a pass from Dennis Tueart. I looked up and saw Paul Power making a run into the inside right channel.

"I played the ball to him and went for the return, but instead he hit a long ball to the far post where Phil Boyer had pulled

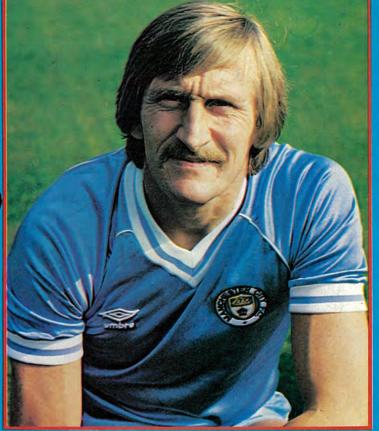
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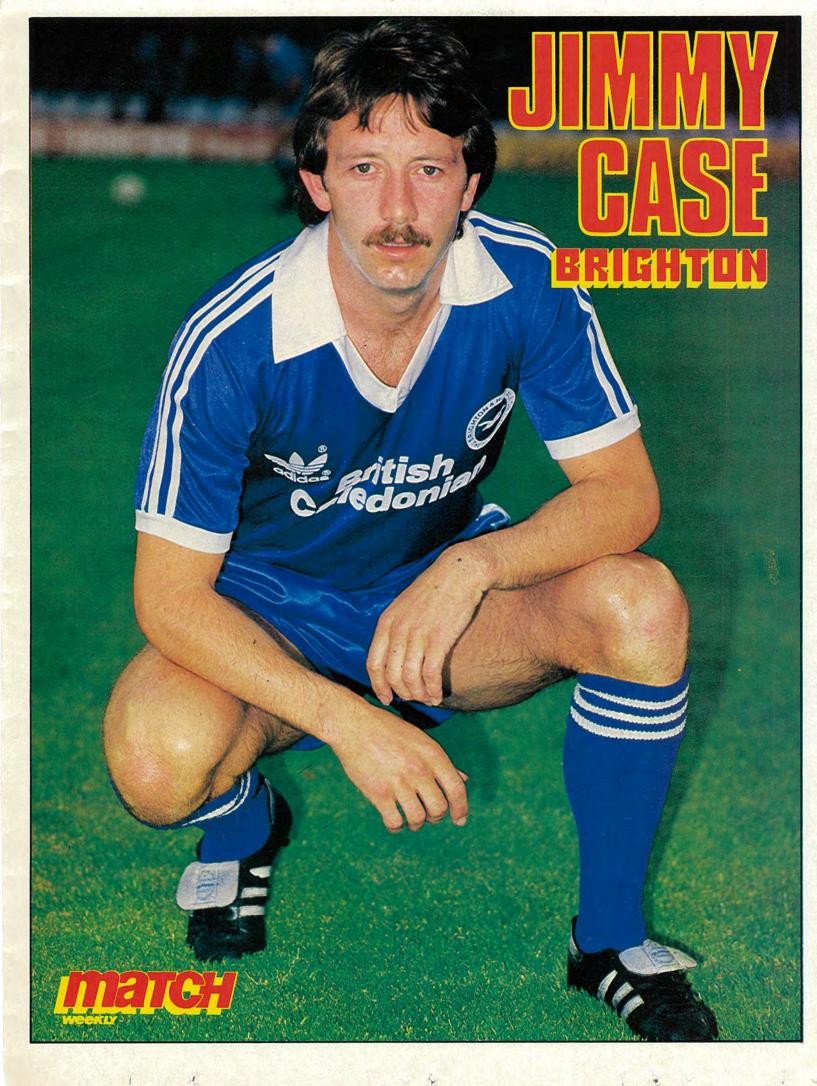
"I decided to keep running in
the hope that Phil would knock
the ball down. He produced the
perfect header and I was on
hand to send a low, half volley
past Tony Godden.

"It was a particularly
pleasing goal because we had

pleasing goal because we had been working in training on doing more running off the ball rather than with it."



Golden goal-scorer Tommy Hutchison, so pleased with his 'gem against West Brom.



ORLD CUP



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NOTTS County's new £600,000 winger John Chiedozie and his former Orient team mate Tunji Banjo could yet be playing in next year's World Cup Finals with Nigeria.

Nigeria are through to the semi-finals in the African section and have been kept apart from probable favourites Morocco.

Nigeria face Algeria in the two-leg semi-finals, while Morocco take on Cameroon. Morocco are the only team

with previous final experience. They reached Mexico in 1970, losing to West Germany and Peru and drawing with Bulgaria.

They are coached by the famous French striker Just Fontane who holds the World Cup Finals scoring record of achieved in Sweden in 1958

Right: Tunji Banjo in action for Orient — looking good for the World Cup finals in Spain.



charge on!

CHILE could be one of the surprise packets in the World Cup Finals . . . because their

Cup Finals... because their away performances were what really earned them a place in Spain.
Patricio Yanex, one of their likely stars, says: "Winning our group proves our determination.
"But what is special is that we have qualified on our good away results. And that is very unusual for Chile."
Chile were unbeaten in their section, winning in

their section, winning in their section, winning in Paraguay and drawing in Equador. They defeated both countries at home.
And to underline their improvement, they have since held Brazil to a good less draw in Sections.

goal-less draw in Santiago.

Goal king

Blokhin

OLEG Blokhin, who could be one of Russia's key men in Spain, has just become his country's greatest-ever goalscorer.

He has overtaken the record of 152 goals held by Moscow Torpedo's Alexander Ponomarev.

Italian stars'

unrest is over

THE internal wrangle that threatened the Italian team and Juventus has been

Breitner gets

PAUL Breitner, the Bayern Munich midfield player, is West Germany's 'Footballer

He received nine of the 18 votes cast by the captains in the League in a poll conducted by a German

Runner-up was Bayern team-mate Karl-Heinz Rummenigge with seven

Germans

vote

newspaper.

Problem players Marco Tardelli and Claudio Gentile have both signed new contracts.

They are both important internationals and have now got the terms they wanted — equality in pay with star men Dino Zoff and Roberto Bettega.

First for **Finland**

FINLAND achieved their first points of the World Cup campaign with a 2-1 home victory over Albania in Group 1. The Finns round-off their

qualifying matches next week (Sep. 23) against section favourites West Germany in

Bochum.
The Germans, with maximum points from four matches, warmed-up for the task with a 2-0 friendly victory in Poland, with goals coming from Karl-Heinz Rummenigge and Klaus Fischer

Group 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Austria							10
W. Germ							8
Bulgaria			0				6
Albania	6	1	0	5	4	12	2
Finland			0				- 3

Tough for Argentina' — admits Menotti

ARGENTINE manager Cesar Luis Menotti admits his players face a hard task in their bid to retain the World cup in

Spain next year.
He says: "We will not have the effects of surprise on our side this time as we did in Argentina in 1978. And it is for that reason that we shall have to work hard on trying to find some new tricks."
He added that his squad for the recent three-match tour of Spain

recent three-match tour of Spain and Italy was very close to the one he has in mind for next summer, bar the absence of both Ardiles and Bertoni who were kept back by their clubs.

Still in Argentina, everyone has been talking about the future of national team captain Daniel

His most likely destination is Italy and Roma when he finally leaves River Plate, the millionaire Buenos Aires outfit, but that won't happen until after the World Cup

Austrian ban

MEMBERS of the Austrian team won't be allowed to take their wives or girlfriends to the World Cup Finals in Spain.

A total ban on female company has been imposed by team manager Karl Stotz because of the team's poor performances during the last World Cup in Argentina. Austria were last in their second

round group even though they defeated defending champions West Germany in their final match. Earlier they had lost to Holland and



Milestone for Zico

BRILLIANT Brazilian star Zico, the man who grabbed the winner against England at Wembley in May, has recently totted up his 500th appearance

And his goal record is pretty good too: 498 goals in 500

Pictured left: Zico — the striker known in Brazil as the White Pele'.

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Watch Facts..... Watch Facts..... Watch Facts....

Sunday, Sept. 6

Division Four

CREWE (0) 0 TORQUAY (1) 1 (Scott, og 22) Att: 2,054

Att: 2,054
Crewe: *MULHEARN 8, Salathiel 6,
Lewis 7, Heath 6, Scott 6, Hazelgrave 5,
Hanlon 5, Ricketts 6, Keighley 5, Palios 6,
Williams 5 (sub. Bowers 6).
Torquay: O'Keefe 6, Jones 6, Pendrey 6,
Sermanni 7, Wilson 7, Larmour 7, Hodge
6, Bowker 6, Cooper 6, *RIOCH 8,
Weston 5 (sub. Cox 6).

Referee: N. Midgeley (Salford)
Match Rating: **

Tuesday, Sept. 8 **Division Two**

LEICESTER (0) 1 (Hamill 59) BARNSLEY (0) 0 Att: 15,447
Leicester: Wallington 7, Williams 6,
Gibson 6, Peake 7, May 7, O'Neill 6,
Lynex 7, Melrose 6, Lineker 6,
*WILSON 8, Hamill 6.
Barnsley: Horn 7, Joyce 7, Chambers 6,
Glavin 6, Banks 7, *McCARTHY 8,
Evans 7, Parker 6, Aylott 6 (sub. Riley 6),
McMala 6, Barrowelouth 7 Att: 15,447 McHale 6, Barrowclough 7. Referee: M. Dimblebee (Stevenage)

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (1) 2 (Williamson 33, McCulloch 52) ROTHERHAM (0) 0 Att: 26,826
Sheff Wed: Bolder 7, Blackhall 7,
*WILLIAMSON 8, Smith 7, Shirtliff 6,
Taylor 7, Megson 6, Mirocevic 7,
Bannister 7, McCulloch 7, Curran 7.
Rotherham: Mountford 7, Forrest 6,
Taylor 6, Green 7, Stancliffe 7, Mullen
6, Towner 6, *SEASMAN 8, Moore 6,
Farra 7, Hopson 6 (Auch Coeding)

Match Rating: ★★★

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Fern 7, Henson 6 (sub. Gooding).
Referee: R. Chadwick (Darwen)
Match Rating: ***

EUROPEAN UNDER-21 CHAMPIONSHIP

SCOTLAND (1) 4 (Blair 13, Brazil 70, MacDonald 72, Sturrock 85) SWEDEN (0) 0

UNDER-21 FRIENDLY

NORWAY (0) 0 ENGLAND (0) 0

League Cup First Round, First Leg

CHESTER (1) 1 (Jones) PLYMOUTH (1) 1 (Storton, og) Att: 1.690

SCOTTISH **First Division**

CLYDEBANK (0) 0 KILMARNOCK (0) 0 Att: 1,012

EAST STIRLING (0) 2 (Lamont 46, Ashwood 61) FALKIRK (0) 2 (Burrell 66, Smith 84)

MOTHERWELL (0) 2 (McLaughlin, pen 50, Forbes 65) HAMILTON (2) 2 (Craig 14, Howie 34)

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (0) 1 (Cloy, pen QUEENS PARK (0) 1 (Crawley 70) Att: 1,400

RAITH (0) 0 DUNFERMLINE (0) 0 Att: 2,000

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*** Satisfactory

* Waste of money

Second Division

COWDENBEATH (2) 2 (Liddle 25, 38) EAST FIFE (2) 2 (Miller 15, Caithness Att: 654

FORFAR (0) 6 (Hancock 49, 67, Brash 54, Farningham 63, Rankin 73, Gallagher 85) ARBROATH (0) 0

MEADOWBANK (0) 3 (Godfrey 56, 78, Sprott 82) ALBION (1) 2 (Horston 30, Gibson 65)

STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 0 BRECHIN (2) 4 (Leslie 14, Campbell 37, 62, Paterson 76) Att: 200

STIRLING (1) 1 (Colquhoun 27) CLYDE (1) 2 (Reilly 37, Masterton 69) Att: 600

STRANRAER (1) 2 (Newman 34, Sweeney 74) BERWICK (2) 4 (Davidson 15, Moyes 25, Lawson 63, McGlinchey 74)

Wednesday, Sept. 9

World Cup Qualifying rounds **Group Four**

NORWAY (2) 2 (Albertsen 36, Thoresen ENGLAND (1) 1 (Robson 15) Att: 23,500

Norway: Antonsen 7, Berntsen 6, *AAS 8, Hareide 7, Grondalen 7, Albertsen 7, Giske 6, Thoresen 6, Okland 6 (sub Pedersen), Jacobsen 7, Lund 7 (sub. Dokken).

(sub. Dokken).
England: Clemence 6, Neal 5, Mills 7,
Thompson 7, Osman 6, McDermott 5,
Robson 7, Hoddle 5 (sub. Barnes 6),
*KEEGAN 8, Francis 5, Mariner 5 (sub.
Withe).
Referee: J. Kacprzak (Poland)

Match Rating: ★★★

World Cup Qualifier **Group Six**

SCOTLAND (1) 2 (Jordan 21, Robertson, pen 80) SWEDEN (0) 0 Scotland: Rough 7, McGrain 8, Gray, F 8, Wark 6, McLeish 6, Hansen 7, Provan 8, Dalglish 7 (sub. Gray, A 7), Jordan 8,

★HARTFORD 9, Robertson 8.

Sweden: Ravelli, T 7, Erlandsson 6,
Hysen 6, Boergesson 7, Frederiksson 7,
Borg 6, Ravelli, A 7, Bjornland 6,

★LARSSON 8, Sjoberg 6, Svensson 6 (sub. Hallen 7).

Referee: Andre Daina (Switzerland)

Match Rating: ***

Group Five

DENMARK (0) 1 (Elkjaer) YUGOSLAVIA (0) 2 (Vujovic, Petrevic) Att: 48,400

		VV	U			A	PTS
Yugoslavia	5	4	0	1	14	. 5	8
Italy	5	4	0	1	9	3	8
Denmark	7	3	0	4	11	9	6
Greece	5	3	0	2	6	7	6
Luxembourg	6	0	0	6	1	17	0

Friday, Sept. 11 **Division Three**

DONCASTER (2) 3 (Warboys, pen 11, Harle 35, Dowd 65) EXETER (0) 0 Att: 4.369 Doncaster: Boyd 6, Russell 7, Dawson 8, Snodin, I 7, Lally 8, Dowd 7, Pugh 8, *HARLE 9, Warboys 8, Lister 8,

Douglas 7.

Douglas 7.

Exeter: Bond 8, Rogers, M 5, Roberts, L 5, Davey 7, Cooke 6, Roberts, P 5, Rogers, P 5, Pratt 6, Kellow 5, Lester 5, Hatch 6 (sub. Prince 6).

Referee: N. Wilson (Morecambe)

Match Rating: ***

Saturday, Sept. 12

Division One

ARSENAL (0) 1 (Sunderland 76) SUNDERLAND (0) 1 (Rowell 79) Att: 26,471

Arsenal: Jennings 6, Hollins 6, Sansom 6, Talbot 6, O'Leary 6, Young 7, Davis 7, Sunderland 5, McDermott 5, Nicholas 6,

** **RIX 9.

Sunderland: Siddall 7, Hinnigan 6,

Munro 6, Buckley 6, **CLARKE 8,

Hindmarch 6, Elliott 6, McCoist 6 (sub. Chisholm), Ritchie 6, Rowell 6, Pickering

Referee: R. Taylor (Kent) Match Rating: ★★★

ASTON VILLA (1) 1 (Cowans 16) MANCHESTER UNITED (1) 1 (Stapleton 39) Att: 37,661

Aston Villa: Rimmer 6, Swain 6, Gibson 6, ★EVANS 8, Ormsby 7, Mortimer 6, Bremner 6, Donovan 6, Withe 6, Cowans

6, Morley 6.

Man Utd: Bailey 6, Gidman 6, Albiston 6, Wilkins 6, McQueen 6, Buchan 6, Coppell 6, Birtles 7, *STAPLETON 8, Macari 6, McIlroy 6.

Referee: G. Owen (Anglesey) Match Rating: ***

COVENTRY (2) 4 (Kaiser 8, Thompson 11, 78, Whitton 52) LEEDS (0) 0 Att: 13 065 Coventry: Blyth 7, Thomas 7, Roberts 7, Jacobs 7, Dyson 7, Gillespie 7, Kaiser 7, Daly 7, Thompson 8, Whitton 6, ★HUNT

Leeds: Lukic 5, Greenhoff 6, Gray, E 5, Flynn 6, Firm 5, Cherry 6, Harris 6 (sub. Hird 5), Graham 6, *CONNOR 7, Stevenson 5, Barnes 5.

Referee: H. King (Merthyr Tydfil)

Match Rating: ***

EVERTON (0) 1 (Wright 46) BRIGHTON (0) 1 (Robinson 70) Att: 27,352 Att: 27,352

Everton: Arnold 6, Wright 7, Ratcliffe 6, Walsh 7, Lyons 6, Thomas 7, McMahon 7, Eastoe 7, Biley 7, Hartford 6, *AINSCOW 8. RINGLOW 8.

Brighton: ★MOSELEY 8, Shanks 7,

Williams 6, Grealish 6, Foster 6, Gatting 7, Case 7, Ritchie 6, Robinson 7, McNab 6, Smith 6.

6, Smith 6. Referee: M. Lowe (Sheffield) Match Rating: ★★★

IPSWICH (1) 2 (Neal, og 15, Wark, pen

LIVERPOOL (0) 0
Att: 26,703
Ipswich: Cooper 8, Mills 7, McCall 6,
**THIJSSEN 9, Osman 7, Butcher 7,
Wark 7, Muhren 8, Mariner 5, Brazil 7,

Gates 6 Liverpool: Grobbelaar 6, Neal 6, Kennedy, A 6, Thompson 7, Kennedy, R 7, Hansen 7, Dalglish 6, ★LEE 8, Johnson 6, McDermott 6 (sub. Johnston

6), Souness 6.

Referee: G. Lewis (Gt. Bookham)

Match Rating: ***

MANCHESTER CITY (1) 1 (Reeves 44) SOUTHAMPTON (1) 1 (Keegan, pen 23)

Att: 42,003

Man City: Corrigan 6, Ranson 6,
McDonald 6, ★REID 8, Boyer 6, Caton 6,
O'Neill 6, Gow 7, Francis 6, Hutchison 7,

Southampton: Wells 6, Golac 6, Holmes 6, Baker 7, Waldron 7, Agboola 6, Keegan 7, Channon 6, Moran 6, Armstrong 6, ★BALL 8.
Referee: P. Willis (Co. Durham)
Match Rating: ★★★

MIDDLESBROUGH (2) 2 (Otto 17, Hodgson 34) BIRMINGHAM (0) 1 (Whatmore 60) BIRMINGHAM (0) 1 (Whatmore 60)
Att: 13,189
Middlesbrough: *PLATT 9, Craggs 7,
Bolton 7, Ross 7, Baxter 8, McAndrew 7,
Cochrane 6, Otto 8, Hodgson 7, Shearer
7 (sub. MacDonald), Bailey 5.
Birmingham: Wealands 8, Langan 7,
Dennis 7, Dillon 8, Broadhurst 7, Todd 7,
Brocken 6 (sub. Handysides), Whatmore 8,
Evans 7, *GEMMILL 9, Van Mierlo 8.
Referee: D. Scott (Burnley)
Match Rating: ***

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 0 WEST BROM (0) 0 Att: 22.618

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Notim Forest: Shilton 7, Anderson 7,
Gray 6, McGovern 7, Burns 6, Aas 7,
Proctor 7, Wallace 6, Fashanu 6, Mills 6
(sub. Walsh), *ROBERTSON 8.
West Brom: *GODDEN 8, Batson 7,
Statham 7, Moses 6, Wile 7, Robertson
6, Robson 7, Mills 6, Regis 7, Owen 7,
Mackenzie 6.
Referee: T. L. Morris (Leeds)
Match Rating: ***

Match Rating: **

SWANSEA (2) 3 (Curtis 23, James, L 37, Latchford 51)
NOTTS COUNTY (0) 2 (O'Brien, pen 65, McCulloch 85)
Att: 14,319
Swansea: Davies 5, *ROBINSON 7,
Hadziabdic 6, Rajkovic 6, Irwin 5, Mahoney 6, Curtis 6, James, R 6, James, L 6, Thompson 5, Latchford 6.

Match Facts..... Match Facts..... Match Facts...

Notts County: Avramovic 6, Benjamin 5. O'Brien 6, Goodwin 5 (sub. Lahtinen 5), Kilcline 6, Richards 6, Chiedozie 6, McCulloch 6, *CHRISTIE 7, Hunt 5, Hooks 5

Referee: T. Spencer (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★★

WEST HAM (1) 3 (Goddard 8, 49, Stewart, pen 68) STOKE (1) 2 (O'Callaghan 29, Maguire, pen 87) pen 87)
Att: 28,774
West Ham: Parkes 7, Stewart 7,
Lampard 7, Bonds 8, Martin 8,
Devonshire 8, Neighbour 7, Goddard 8,
Cross 7, *ALLEN 9, Pike 7.
Stoke: *FOX 9, Evans 7, Hampton 6,
Dodd 6, O'Callaghan 6, Doyle 8, Griffiths
7, Heath 8, Chapman 6, Bracewell 6,
Macquire 6.

Maguire 6. Referee: J. E. Martin (Alton) Match Rating: ***

Match Rating: *

WOLVES (0) 0 TOTTENHAM (0) 1 (Galvin 65) Att: 18,675
Wolves: Bradshaw 6, Humphrey 6,
Parkin 5, Daniel 5 (sub. Palmer 5),
*BERRY 7, Coy 6, Hibbitt 6, Richards 4,
Bell 4, Carr 4, Birch 5.
Spurs: Clemence 5, Hughton 6, Miller 5,
Roberts 6, Villa 6, Perryman 5, Ardiles 6,
Brooke 5 (sub. Jones), *GALVIN 7,
Hoddle 6, Falco 5.
Referee: N. H. Glover (Chorley)

Division Two

BARNSLEY (2) 3 (Aylott 40, 89, McCarthy 42) BOLTON (0) 0 Att: 13,844 Att: 13,844

Barnsley: Horn 7, Joyce 6, Chambers 6, Glavin 7, Banks 6, McCarthy 7, Evans 7, Parker 7, *AYLOTT 8, McHale 7, Barrowclough 7.

Bolton: McDonagh 7, Nicholson 6, Bennett 6, McElhinney 6, Jones 6,

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Sending Off: Kidd (Bolton)

BLACKBURN (1) 2 (Keeley 17, Crawford 89) ORIENT (0) 0 Att: 7,043

Blackburn: Gennoe 5, *BRANAGAN 6, Rathbone 5, Hamilton 4, Keeley 5, Fazackerley 5, Miller 4, Burke 4, Stonehouse 4, Crawford 4, Brotherston

Orient: Day 5, Fisher 4, *ROFFEY 6, Taylor, T 4, Gray 4, Margerrison 4, Godfrey 4, Jennings 4, Moores 4, Bowles 4 (sub. Hughton 4), Taylor, P 5. Referee: M. J. Heath (Stoke-on-Trent)
Match Rating: ★★

CHELSEA (1) 1 (Walker 43) WATFORD (1) 3 (Callaghan 39, Rostron 62, Armstrong 81) Att: 20,036 Att: 20,036
Chelsea: Borota 5, Locke 6, Rofe 7,
*VILJOEN 8, Pates 6 (sub. Driver 7),
Chivers 6, Walker 7, Bumstead 6, Lee 6,
Mayes 7, Fillery 5.
Watford: Sherwood 7, Rice 6, Jackett 6,
Taylor 6, Sims 7, Bolton 7, Callaghan 7,
*JENKINS 9, Armstrong 7, Rostron 7, Barnes 8.
Referee: D. Hutchinson (Harrogate)
Match Rating: ***

CRYSTAL PALACE (1) 2 (Walsh 23, 50) CHARLTON (0) 0 Att: 14,227

Crystal Palace: Barron 7, Hinshelwood 7, Cannon 6, Price 5, ★WICKS 8, Gilbert 7, Bason 6, Smillie 7, Walsh 7, Langley 6, Hilaire 7.

Charlton: Johns 6, Naylor 5, Harrison 5, Elliott 5, McAllister 6, *PHILLIPS 7, Walker 6, Robinson 5, Hales 6, Lansdowne 6, Ferns 7.

Referee: C. Maskell (Cambridge)

Match Rating: ***

DERBY (3) 3 (Hector 5, Buckley 30, Ramage 44) LEICESTER (0) 1 (Melrose 63) Att: 16,046

Derby: Jones 7, Coop 6, *BUCKLEY 8, Powell, S 7, Ramage 6, Powell, B 7, Emery 6, Reid 6, Hector 7, Swindlehurst 7, Emson 6.

Leicester: Wallington 7, Williams 6, Gibson 6, *PEAKE 8, May 5, O'Neill 6, Lynex 7, Melrose 6, Young 6 (sub. Lineker 6), Wilson 6, Robson 6.

Referee: N. Midgley (Salford)

Match Rating: *** Att: 16,046

GRIMSBY (2) 2 (Cumming 10, 19) GRIMSBY (2) 2 (Cumming 10, 19)
QPR (0) 1 (Gregory 89)
Att: 9,490
Grimsby: Batch 7, Stone 7, Crombie 6,
Waters 6, Wiggington 7, Moore, K 7,
Brolly 7, Ford 7, Drinkell 6, Mitchell 5
(sub. Kilmore), *CUMMING 8.
QPR: Burridge 6, Gregory 7, Fenwick 6,
*CURRIE 8, Howe 7, Roeder 6,
Flanagan 7, Francis 7, Allen 6, King 5
(sub. Gillard), Stainrod 6.
Referee: G. Courtney (Spennymoor)
Match Rating: ***

LUTON (0) 0 SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (0) 3 (McCulloch 60, Megson 73, Bannister 83) Att: 12,131

Luton: *FINDLAY 8, Stephens 6,
Aizlewood 6, Horton 6, Saxby 6, Donaghy
7, Hill 6, Stein 7, White 7, Antic 5, Turner
5 (sub. Small).

5 (sub. Small).

Sheff Wed: Bolder 7, Sterland 7,
Williamson 7, Smith 7, Shirtliff 8, Taylor
8, Megson 8, Mirocevic 5, Bannister 6,
McCulloch 8, *CURRAN 9.
Referee: D. Vickers (Ilford)
Match Rating: ***

NEWCASTLE (0) 1 (Trewick 59) CAMBRIDGE (0) 0 Att: 14,699 Newcastle: Carr 7, ★BROWNLIE 8, Davies 6, Trewick 7, Barton 7, Halliday 6, Walker 7, Martin 7, Varadi 6, Wharton 6,

Cambridge: Webster 7, Donaldson 6, Murray 6, Reilly 7, Fallon 7, O'Neill 6, Streete 6, ★SPRIGGS 8, Mayo 7, Gibbins 6, Finney 6. Referee: K. Walmsley (Blackpool)
Match Rating: ★★

ROTHERHAM (0) 1 (Moore 89)

ROTHERHAM (0) 1 (Moore 89)
CARDIFF (0) 0
Att: 7,197
Rotherham: Mountford 7, *FORREST
8, Taylor 7, Green 6, Stancliffe 7, Mullen
7, Towner 6, Seasman 6, Moore 6, Fern
7, Henson 6 (sub, Gooding 7).
Cardiff: Healey 6, Jones 7, Sullivan 6,
Grapes 6, Pontin 7, Dwyer 6, Lewis 6,
Kitchen 7, *STEVENS 8, Ronson 7,
Buchanan 6.
Referee: J. V. Worrall (Warrington)
Match Rating: ***

OLDHAM (0) 1 (Palmer 85) SHREWSBURY (1) 1 (Bates 22) Att: 3.994

Oldham: McDonnell 6, Hoolickin 5, Ryan 6, Keegan 6, Clements 6, ★FUTCHER 7, Heaton 6 (sub. Nuttall 6), Atkinson 6, Steel 6, Palmer 6, McDonough 6.
Shrewsbury: Wardle 6, Leonard 6,
Johnson 7, *PETTS 8, Griffin 6,
McLaren 7, Tong 7, McNally 6, Atkins 7
(sub. Keay 6), Biggins 6, Bates 7.
Referee: A. Saunders (Newcastle-upon-Tyne)

Match Rating: ★★★
Sending Off: Clements (Oldham) WREXHAM (0) 2 (Vinter 53, McNeil,

NORWICH (1) 3 (Shepherd 25, Jack 48, Barham 70) Barham 70)
Att: 4,007
Wrexham: Niedzwiecki 7, Jones 7, Bater 6, Dowman 6, Cegielski 5, Hill 6 (sub. Hunt 6), Fox 7, McNeil 6, Edwards 7, *VINTER 8, Carrodus 7.
Norwich: *CHRIS WOODS 9, Nightingale 7, Simmonds 7, McGuire 8, Walford 7, Watson 7, Barnes 7, Shepherd 8, Clive Woods 7, Paddon 7, Jack 7 (sub. Hoadley 6).

Referee: D. Richardson (Gt. Yarwood)
Match Rating: ***

Division Three

BRISTOL ROVERS (1) 2 (Stephens 24, BURNLEY (0) 1 (Kite, og 69) BURNLEY (0) 1 (kite, og 69)
Att: 5,083
Bristol Rovers: Kite 6, Gillies 6, Slatter
7, McCaffery 6 (sub. Curle), Parkin 7,
Hughes 6, Barrett 7, Williams, D 7,
Mabbutt 6, *STEPHENS 8, Cooper 6,
Burnley: Stevenson 7, Laws 5, Holt 6,
Scott 6, Overson 6, Dobson 7, Cavener 5
(sub. Robertson 5), Taylor 5, Hamilton 6, *STEVEN 8, Potts 6.
Referee: D. V. Reeves (Uxbridge) Match Rating: ★★

CARLISLE (1) 3 (Robson 10, Moody, og 46, Crabbe, pen 70) SOUTHEND (2) 2 (Cusack 3, Gray 22) Att: 3.596 Att: 3,596
Carlisle: Swinburne 7, Haigh 7,
Rushbury 7, Coady 6, Ashurst 6,
*LARKIN 8, Campbell 7, Beardsley 6,
Lee 7, Robson 7 (sub. Staniforth 7),

Southend: Keeley 7, Stead 6, Yates 7, ★NELSON 8, Moody 6, Cusack 7, Gray 7, Pountney 6, Spence 7, Mercer 7, Otulakowski 6. Referee: T. Fitzharris (Bolton) Match Rating: ★★★

FULHAM (0) 2 (Davies 65, Brown 90) BRISTOL CITY (1) 1 (Mann 11) Att; 4,169

Fulham: Peyton 7, Hopkins 7, Strong 7, Beck 8, Brown 7, Gale 7, *DAVIES 9, Wilson 8, Coney 7, O'Sullivan 8,

Lewington 7.

Bristol City: *MOLLER 8, Stevens 6,
Hay 7, Mann 7, Rodgers 6, Merrick 7,
Tainton 7, Musker 6, Harford 7, Mabbutt
6, Devine 6.

Referee: I. J. Borrett (Norfolk)
Match Rating: **

GILLINGHAM (0) 0 CHESTER (0) 1 (Simpson 77) Att: 3,990 Gillingham: Hillyard 7, Sharpe 6, *BRUCE 8, Weatherly 7, Ford 6, Bowman 7, Powell 7, Duncan 7 (sub. White), Tydeman 7, Lee 6, Price 6.

Chester: Millington 7, Needham 6, Storton 7, Cottam 7, Raynor 6, *OAKES 8, Jones 6, Simpson 6, Ludlam 6, Howat 6, Sutcliffe 6. Referee: M. Bodenham (Brighton) Match Rating: ★★★

HUDDERSFIELD (0) 1 (Fletcher 64) WIMBLEDON (0) 1 (Leslie 56) WIMBLEDON (0) 1 (Leslie 56)
Att: 7,326
Huddersfield: Rankin 6, Brown 6,
*BURKE 8, Stanton 7 (sub. Robins 7),
Sutton 7, Purdie 7, Lillis 6, Kennedy 6,
Fletcher 6, Kindon 6, Wilson 7.
Wimbledon: *BEASANT 8, Jones 7,
Armstrong 7, Galliers 7, Smith 6,
Cunningham 6, Ketteridge 7, Joseph 7,
Leslie 7, Cork 6, Downes 6.
Referee: R. Nixon (Stockport)
Match Rating: ***

NEWPORT (0) 3 (Aldridge 52, Waddle 54, 61) OXFORD (2) 2 (Shotton 30, Cassells 43) Att: 5,293

Att: 5,293
Newport: Kendall 6, Elsey 6, Lees 6 (sub.
*WADDLE 8), Davies 6, Oakes 7, Bailey
7, Vaughan 6, Johnson 6, Gwyther 6,
Aldridge 7, Moore 6.
Oxford: Burton 6, Doyle 7, Fogg 6,
Jeffrey 6, Briggs 6, Shotton 7, Jones 7
(sub. Thomas), Foley 6, *CASSELLS 8,

Page 6, Smithers 6.
Referee: B. Stevens (Stonehouse)
Match Rating: ****

PLYMOUTH (0) 0 LINCOLN (1) 2 (Gilbert 36, Cockerill 55)

LINCOLN (1) 2 (Gilbert 36, Cockerill 55)
Att: 3,323
Plymouth: Crudgington 6, Nisbet 4,
McCartney 5, *HARRISON 7, Foster 5,
Cooper 4, Hodges 4, Kemp 5, Sims 5,
Randall 4, Murphy 4 (sub. Dennis 5).
Lincoln: Felgate 6, Thompson 7, McVay
6, Gilbert 6, Turner 6, Carr 5, Shipley 6,
Cockerill 6, *HOBSON 8, Cunningham
7, Command 6 7, Cammack 6. Referee: V. Callow (Solihull)

Match Rating: >

PORTSMOUTH (0) 2 (Rafferty 60, Hemmerman 89) BRENTFORD (0) 2 (Crown 58,

Booker 88) Att: 10,364 Att: 10,364

Portsmouth: Knight 6, McLaughlin 7,
Viney 6, Kamara 5, Aizlewood 7, Ellis 6,

*HEMMERMAN 8, Doyle 5, Rafferty 6,
Berry 7 (sub. Rogers), Tait 6.
Brentford: McKellar 6, Tucker 6, Hill 6,
Salman 7, *WHITEHEAD 8, Hurlock 7,
Walker 5, Roberts 5, Booker 5, Harris 7,
Crown 6. Referee: S. G. Bates (Bristol)
Match Rating: ***

SWINDON (2) 4 (Rowland 12, 58, Carter 42, 74)
PRESTON (0) 0 Att: 5,695 Swindon: Allan 6, Henry 7, Williams 6, Hughes 6, Lewis 7, Graham 7, Abbley 7, Emmanuel 6, *ROWLAND 8, Rideout

Preston: Litchfield 6, Taylor 5, Westwell 5, Clark 6, O'Riordan 6, Blackley 6,

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Houston 6, Doyle 6 (sub. Walsh 5), McGee 6, *BRUCE 7, McNaughtón 5. Referee: K. P. Barratt (Coventry) Match Rating: **

WALSALL (1) 1 (Waddington, S 44)
CHESTERFIELD (0) 1 (Green 77)
Att: 3,280
Walsall: Green, R 6, Macken 6, Harrison
8, Beech 5, *SERELLA 9, Hart 7, Round
6, Waddington, S 7, Penn 6, Buckley 4
(sub. Waddington, P), Caswell 5.
Chesterfield: Turner 7, Bellamy 6,
Pollard 6, Wilson 7, *GREEN, W 9,
Ridley 7, Walker 7, Henderson 7,
Bonnyman 7, Kowalski 7, Crawford 6. Bonnyman 7, Kowalski 7, Crawford 6. Referee: D. Webb (Sale) Match Rating: ***

Division Four

ALDERSHOT (1) 3 (Sanford 32, Wanklyn 65, Lucas 76) HALIFAX (1) 1 (Graham 9)

Aldershot: Johnson 6, Scott 6, Wooler 6, Wanklyn 7, ★BENNETT 8, Jopling 6, Lucas 7, Sanford 7, Garwood 6, Crosby 6, Robinson 6.

Halifax: Kilner 6, Ward 6, Carr 7, Evans 6, Ayre 6, Hendrie 6, ★FIRTH 8, Davison 6 (sub. Allatt 6), Graham 6, Chamberlain McIlwaith 6

Referee: J. Moules (Ongar) Match Rating: ***
Sending Off: Hendrie (Halifax)

BLACKPOOL (3) 5 (Bamber 14, Goddard 18, 45, Morris 63, Hockaday 87) CREWE (0) 0

Att: 4,506

Blackpool: Hesford 7, Simmonite 7, Pashley 7, Blair 7, Greenall 7, Hart 7, Morris 7, Noble 7 (sub. Hockaday 7), Bamber 6, *GODDARD 8, Harrison 7.

Crewe: Mulhearn 5, Salathiel 5, Lewis 7,
Heath 6, Scott 5, Haslegrave 6 (sub. Griffiths 6), Hanlon 6, Ricketts 6, Keighley 7, Palios 6, ★BOWERS 7. Referee: M. G. Peck (Kendall) Match Rating: ★★★

BRADFORD (3) 6 (Jackson 3, 53, Black 10, Campbell, pen 33, 47, 68) YORK (1) 2 (Walwyn 27, Byrne 80)

Att: 3,601 Att: 3,601
Bradford: Smith 6, Podd 8, Watson 6, Ingham 6, Jackson 8, Thompson 7, Gallagher 7 (sub. Staniforth), Black 7, *CAMPBELL 9, McNiven 8, Chapman

York: Blackburn 6, Kay 7, Flood 6, *HOOD 8, Crost 6, Dawson 6, Ford 6, Byrne 7, Walwyn 7, McDonald 6, Waldron 6 (sub. McGhie 6). Referee: P. Tyldesley (Stockport) Match Rating: ★★★

BOURNEMOUTH (0) 2 (Smith 59, Morgan 58) DARLINGTON (0) 0

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Att: 3,900 Bournemouth: *ALLEN 8, Heffernan 6. Sulley 6, Smith 7, Brignull 6, Impey 7, Edmunds 7, Dawtrey 6, Mooney 6, Morgan 7, Williams 6.

Darlington: Cuff 7, Kamara 6, McLean 6, Smith 7, Skipper 7, Mitchell 7, Hawker 6, *SPEEDIE 8, Stalker 7, Hamilton 6,

Walsh 7.
Referee: R. Milford (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★★

BURY (0) 2 (Madden 61, 88) STOCKPORT (0) 0

Att: 3,077 Att: 3,077

Bury: Platt 7, Bradley 5 (sub. Mullen 6),

*HILTON, P 8, Howard 6, Kennedy 7,

Gore 5, Hilton, M 6, Jakub 5, Butler 5,

Johnson 5, Madden 7.

Stockport: Lloyd 6, Thorpe 6, Sword 7,

Uzelac 7, Sherlock 6, Williams 5, Fowler 6, Park 5, Wardrobe 5, *COYLE 8,

Stofford 6.

Stafford 6.
Referee: K. A. Redfern (Whitley Bay)
Match Rating: ***

HARTLEPOOL (0) 2 (Linacre 69, Hampton 72) WIGAN (0) 1 (Houghton 81)

Hartlepool: Burleigh 7, Sweeney 6, Stimpson 7, Hogan 6, ★BIRD 8, Fagan 7, Brown 7, Linacre 7. Hampton 7, Houchen 7, Johnson 6. Wigan: Brown 6, McMahon 7, McAdam



Paul Goddard . . . two goals for First Division leaders West Ham in the 3-2 home defeat of Stoke.

5, Cribley 6, Lloyd 6, Methven 7, Sheldon 7, Barrow 7, ★HOUGHTON 8, Quinn 7, Evans 6. Referee: T. Mills (Barnsley) Match Rating: ★★★

NORTHAMPTON (1) 1 (Denyer, pen 21) HULL (0) 1 (Mutrie 62) Att: 1,938

Att: 1,938
Northampton: Poole 7, Brady 8, Denyer
7, Farmer 6 (sub. Saxby), Gage 6, Coffill
6, Carlton 7, *SANDY 9, Bowen 6,
Phillips 7, Alexander 6.
Hull: *NORMAN 9, Hoolickin 7, Booth
7, Richards 7, Eccleston 6, McClaren 6,
Marwood 7, Edwards 6, Deacy 6, Mutrie
7, Erguson 6

7, Ferguson 6. Referee: M. L. James (Horsham)

Match Rating: ★★★

PETERBOROUGH (2) 5 (Quow 5, Cooke 17, 48, 78, Slack 89) ROCHDALE (1) 1 (Wellings, pen 32)

Att: 3,768
Peterborough: Smelt 6, Winters 5, Collins 6, Gynn 6, Slack 6, Rodaway 7, Quow 7, Kellock 6, *COOKE 9, Chard 6,

Rochdale: Poole 6, Burke 6 (sub. Goodwin 7), Snookes 6, Dolan 6, Taylor 6, Cooper 7, Hilditch 7, O'Loughlin 6, Esser 6, *WELLINGS 8, Martinez 6. Referee: D. Axcell (Southend)
Match Rating: ***

PORT VALE (0) 0 MANSFIELD (0) 0

Att: 3.043 Port Vale: Harrison 6, Keenan 6, Sproson 6, Bowles 6, Deakin 5, *HUNTER 7, Armstrong 6, Bromage 6, Higgins 6, Moss 6, Chamberlain 6.

Mansfield: *ARNOLD 7, Wood 6, Bird
6, Boam 6, McJannet 7, Nicholson 6,
Mann 6, Bell 5, Caldwell 6, Lumby 6,

Thompson 6.
Referee: F. Robert (Prestatyn)
Match Rating: ***

COLCHESTER (0) 0 Att: 11,293 Att. 11,293
Sheff Utd: Waugh 7, Ryan 7, Kenworthy 6, Tibbott 7, MacPhail 6, McAlle 7, *WIGGAN 8, Trusson 7, Neville 6, Hatton 7, Charles 7.
Colchester: *WALKER 8, Cook 6, Coleman 7, Leslie 6, Wignall 7, Wright 7, Osborne 7, Bremner 7, Foley 6 (sub. Adcock 6), McDonough 7, Allinson 7.
Referee: A. Robinson (Radcliffe)
Match Rating: ***

SHEFFIELD UNITED (1) 1 (Hatton 43)

TORQUAY (0) 1 (Cooper 88) SCUNTHORPE (0) 0

Att: 2,033 Torquay: O'Keefe 6, Jones 6, Pendrey 6, Sermanni 5 (sub. Hodge), Wilson 6, Larmour 6, Fell 7, Lawrence 6, Cooper 6,



*RIOCH 9, Bowker 7.
Scunthorpe: *NEENAN 8, Davy 6,,
Lambert 5 (sub. Cowling 6), Keeley 7,
Dall 6, Oates 6, Grimes 7, Partridge 6,
Green 6, Duffy 6, Stewart 6.
Referee: A. Robinson (Waterlooville) Match Rating: ★★★

TRANMERE (0) 0 HEREFORD (0) 0 Att: 1,413

Att: 1,413
Tranmere: Endersby 6, Mungall 5,
Burgess 5, Parry 5, Bramhall 6, Williams
6, Craven 5, *HUTCHINSON 7, Kerr 5,
Brown 6, Griffiths 5 (sub. Hamilton 6).
Hereford: Hughes 6, Price 6, Bray 5,
Hicks 6, Cornes 5, *SPIRING 7, Harvey
6, Laidlaw 5, Phillips 5, Showers 5,
Micks 6, William 8, Phillips 5, Showers 5, White 6.

Referee: M. Key (Rotherham)
Match Rating: ★★★

SCOTTISH **Premier Division**

CELTIC (0) 2 (MacLeod 51, McAdam 58) MORTON (0) 1 (Thomson 73) Att: 19 900

Celtic: Bonner 7, McGrain 7, Reid 6, Aitken 6, McAdam 7, MacLeod 8, *PROVAN 9, Sullivan 7, McGarvey 8,

Burns 7, McCluskey 6.

Morton: Baines 7, Hayes 6, Holmes 7,
Rooney 6, McLaughlin 6, Orr 6, Houston
6, Busby 6 (sub. Cochrane 6),

*THOMSON 8, Hutchison 6, Docherty

Referee: R. Cuthill (Winchburgh)
Match Rating: ★★★

DUNDEE UNITED (2) 5 (Kirkwood 20, Sturrock 40, 73, Milne 60, Bannon 70) DUNDEE (1) 2 (Ferguson 44, Mackie 57) Att: 16,500

Att: 10,500

Dundee Utd: McAlpine 7, Holt 6 (sub. Gough), Kopel 6, Phillip 7, Hegarty 7, Narey 7, Bannon 8, *MILNE 9, Kirkwood 7, Sturrock 6, Dodds 8 (sub.

Pettigrew).

Dundee: Geddes 6, Barr 7, Cameron 6, Fraser 6, Glennie 6, MacDonald 6,

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West Ham	4	1	1		4	3	2			8		10	
Swansea	4	2			8	3	1	0	1	3		9	
lpswich	4	- 1	1	. 0	5	3	1	1		1	2	8	
Man. City	4	1	1	. 0	3	2	1	1		A	2	8	
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Coventry	4	2	0	0	5	1	0		2	1			
Tottenham	4	0	0	2	1	7	2	0	0	4	1		
Brighton	4	1	0	1	3	2	0	2	0	2	2	5	
Everton	4	1	1	0	4	2	0	1	1	1	2	5	
Nott'm Forest	4	1	1	D	2	1	.0	i	1	3	4	5	
Sunderland	4	1	0	.1	2	3	0	- 2	0	4	4	5	
A. Villa	4	10	-1	1	1	2	- 1	D	-1	4	3	4	
West Brom	4	1	0	1	4	3	0	1	1	1	2	4	
Arsenal				4	1	2	1	.0	1	2	2	4	
Liverpool	4	1	1	0	3	1	8	0	2	0	.3	4	
Birmingham	.4	1	1	0	5	4	0	0	2	2	5	4	
Middlesbro	4	1	0	1	3	4		.1	1	1	3	4	
Leeds	4	1	1	0	4	1	0	0	2	1	9	4	
Wolves	4	1	0	1	1	1	0	0				3	
Man. Utd.	4	0	1	1	1	2	B	1	1	2	3	2	

★FERGUSON 8, Bell 5, Sinclair 6, Fleming 5 (sub. Mackie), McGeachie 6. Referee: E. H. Pringle (Edinburgh) Match Rating: ***

HIBERNIAN (1) 1 (Flavell 25) AIRDRIE (0) 1 (McKeown 55) Att: 5,020 Att: 5,020
Hibernian: McArthur 7, Sneddon 6,
Flavell 6, McNamara 7, Patterson 6,
McLaren 6, *CALLACHAN 8, Rae 7,
MacLeod 6 (sub. Connelly 6), Duncan 7,

MacLeod 6 (sub. Confielly 6), Buffeld Murray 6. Airdrie: Martin 7, Erwin 6, Rodger 6, Walker 6, March 5, McCluskey 6, McKeown 7, *CLARK 8, McGuire 6 (sub. Campbell 6), Gordon 6, Flood 6. Referee: H. Alexander (Irving) Match Rating: ***

PARTICK (0) 0 ABERDEEN (0) 2 (McCall 66, Cowan 87) Att: 3,606

Att: 3,606
Partick: Rough 7, Doyle 7, Lapsley 6, Kay 6, Dunlop 7, O'Hara 6, Park 6, Higgins 5, Sweeney 6, ★McDONALD 8, Clark 6.
Aberdeen: Leighton 7, Kennedy 6, Rougvie 6, Watson 7, McLeish 7, Miller 5 (sub. Simpson 6), Strachan 7, Cooper 6, ★McCALL 8, McMaster 6 (sub. Cowan 6). Hawitt 6

6), Hewitt 6.
Referee: A. W. Waddell (Pencuik)
Match Rating: ***

ST MIRREN (0) 1 (McDougall 55) RANGERS (1) 1 (MacDonald 26)

Att: 15,652
St Mirren: Thomson 7, Beckett 7,
Abercrombie 7, Fitzpatrick 7, McCormack
6, Copland 7, *McDOUGALL 8, Stark 7,
Bone 7, McAvennie 7 (sub. Fulton),

Bone 7, McAvennie 7 (sub. Fution),
Scanlon 6.
Rangers: *McCLOY 8, Jardine 6,
McClelland 5, Forsyth 6, Jackson 6, Bett
7, Cooper 6, Russell 6, Johnstone 6,
Redford 5 (sub. McAdam), MacDonald 7.
Referee: I. White (Glasgow)
Match Rating: ****

SCOTTISH **Premier Division**

	P	W	Ð	1	F	A	W	0	L	F	A	Ps	
Celtic	3	2	0	0	'7	3	-1	.0	0	3	1		
St Mirren	3	1	1	0	3	1	1	.0	D	4	.3	5	
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Rangers	3	0	1	0	2	2	1	1	. 0	2	1	. 4	
Morton	3	1	0	0	.1	0	D	.0	.2	1	4	2	
Dundee	3	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	2	2	7	2	
Aberdeen	3	0	0	1	1	.3	1	0	1	3	4	. 2	
Airdrie	3	. 0	0	1	3	4	-0	1	1	3	.0	-1	
Partick	3	0	n	7	0	3	0		1	2	4		

Division One

DUMBARTON (1) 1 (Montomerie 23) CLYDEBANK (0) 3 (McCabe 46, McGorm 74, Miller 79)

DUNFERMLINE (0) 1 (Hegarty 68) QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (1) 1 (Phillips 16) Att: 1,800

FALKIRK (0) 0 HEARTS (0) 0 Att: 6,500

HAMILTON (0) 1 (Donnelly 47) EAST STIRLING (0) 1 (Goodall 62)

Division Two

		r	W	w	r	4	A	w	6	4		A	rs	
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Grimsby		4	1	1	0	4	3	2	0		4	1	10	
Luton		4	1		i	3	3	2	0	0	4	2	9	
		4	2	0	0	7	0	0	1	1	1	2	7	
Leicester		4	2	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	3	5	7	
Norwick		4	1	1	0	2	1	1	8	1	4	6		
Watford '		4	0	1	1	1	3	2	0	0	4	1	7	
Blackburn		4	1	0	1	2	1	1	0	1	2	3	6	
C. Palace		4	2	0	0	4	1	0	0	2	0	2	8	
Q.P.R		4	1	0	1	4	2	1	0	1	4	3	6	
Derby		4	1	0	1	4	3	-1	0	1	3	5	8	
Rotherham		4	2	0	0	5	1	0	0	2	0	5	8	
Chelsea		3	1	D	1	3	3	1	0	0	2	1	6	
Shrawsbury	1/2	4	-1	0	1	5	3	0	1	1	1	5	4	
Cambridge		4	1	0	1	4	2	0	0	2	1	3	3	
orient		3	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	1	2	3	3	
Charlton			1	0	.0	2	0	0	0	2	0	5	3	
Oldham .			0	2	0	3	3	0	1	0	1	1	3	
Newcastle			1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	3	
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Belton		3	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	5	C	

KILMARNOCK (0) 1 (Gallagher 74) AYR (0) 1 (Morris 58) Att: 5,500

QUEEN'S PARK (0) 0 RAITH (0) 0 Att: 746

ST JOHNSTONE (0) 1 (Docherty 71) MOTHERWELL (2) 3 (McLaughlin 38, Clelland 31, Irvine 77) Att: 2 518

First Division

	P-	W	Ð	1.	F	· A	W	D	L	F	A	Ps	
Kilmarnock	4	1	1	. 0	3	1	1	1	0	1	0	6	
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East Stirling :	4	0	1	1	3	4	1	1	D	4	1	4	
Falkirk	4	. 8	1	1	1	2	1	1.	0	5	2	4	
Clydebank	4	0	1	1	2	.3	1	1	0	5	3	4	
St Johnstone	3	1	. 0	3	2	3	1	0	0	3	2	4	
Hamilton		1	1	0	2	1	0	1	1	2	4	4	
Queens Park .	4	0	2	0	2	2	0	-1	1	1	2	3	
Dambarton		0		2	1	8	1	0	0	4	0		
Hearts		0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	2	
Raith	4	0	1	1	0	3	0	1	1	0	-1	2	
Qn of the Sth	4	0	1	1	1	5	0	1	.1	1	2	2	

Division Two

ALBION (1) 4 (Evans 40, Craig 60, 78, Gibson, pen 70) STRANBAER (0) 0 Att: 200

ALLOA (1) 1 (Murray 30) STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 0 Att: 477

ARBROATH (0) 1 (Robb 85) COWDENBEATH (0) 1 (Marshall 60) Att: 479

BERWICK (0) 3 (McCulloch 53, McGlinchie 70, Armstrong 90) MEADOWBANK (1) 1 (Jobson 15) Att: 915

BRECHIN (1) 3 (Graham 45, 80, pen 88) MONTROSE (0) 0 Att: 600

CLYDE (0) 1 (Nevin 90) FORFAR (1) 1 (Farningham 30)

EAST FIFE (2) 3 (Miller 22, Neilson 42, STIRLING (0) 0 Att: 409

Second Division

	P	W	D	1	F	A	W	0	L	F	A	Ps	
Forfar	.4	2	0	0	8	1	1	1	0	3	2	7	
Clyde	4	1	4		4	11	2	.0			1	7	
Berwick	. 4	2	0	0	7	.4	1	.0	1	5	4	6	
Brechin	4	2	0	0	5	1	1	0	1	4	1	6	
Albion	. 4	2	10	0	6			0	. 2	4	7	4	
Stranraer	4	1	0	1	6	4	1	0	1	.2	.4	4	
Meadowbank	.4	2	0	0	4	2	0	.0	2	. 3	6	4	
Montrose	4	2			6	2	D	0	2		7	4	
East Fife	4	. 1	0	1	3	2	. 0	1	1		4	3	
Alloa	4	1	0	1	2	-2	.0	1	1	0	2		
Arbroath	4	1	. 1	-0		3		0	2	0	10	3	
Cowdenb'th	4	8	1	1	2	6	0	1	1	1	3	2	
Stenh'muir	4	1	0	1	2	4	0	0	2	0	4	2	
Stirling	4	0	1	1	.1	2	0	0	2	1	5	1	

Division Three

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Newport	3	2	8		4	2	1	0	0	4	0	8
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LEADING **SCORERS**

(League, League Cup, Total)

Division One

Cross (West Ham)	5	0	1
Latchford (Swansea)	5	0	-
Graham (Leeds)	4	0	-
Keegan (Southampton)	4	0	
Francis (Man. City)	4	0	
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Chapman (Stoke)	4	0	4
Donovan (Aston Villa)	3	0	
Wark (Ipswich)	3	0	-
Wallace (Notts Forest)	3	0	
Regis (West Brom)	3	0	-
Whatmore (Birmingham)	3	0	
Goddard (West Ham)	3	0	-

Division Two

Aylott (Barnsley)	4	0	4
Stevens (Cardiff)	1	2	3
Ford (Grimsby)	3	0	3
Palmer (Oldham)	3	0	3
King (QPR)	3	0	3
Fern (Rotherham)	2	1	3
Atkins (Shrewsbury)	3	0	3

Division Three

Carter (Swindon)	3	1	-
Harford (Bristol City)	2	1	
Robson (Carlisle)	3	0	
Davies (Fulham)	2	1	
Aldridge (Newport)	2	1	
Cassells (Oxford)	2	1	
Mann (Bristol City)	2	1	

Division Four

Campbell (Bradford)	6	1	7
Madden (Bury)	3	2	5
Cooke (Peterborough)	4	1	5
Bremner (Colchester)	3	1	4
Sanford (Aldershot)	3	0	3
Phillips (Hereford)	2	1	3
Mutrie (Hull)	3	0	3
Cooper (Torquay)	2	1	3
Walwyn (York)	3	0	3

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Division One

Frye (Ayr)	0	8	8
Deeney (Hamilton)	0	6	6
Smith (Falkirk)	3	2	5
Alexander (Queen of the Sth)	0	5	5

Division Two

Davidson (Berwick)	3	5	8
Hancock (Forfar)	3	4	7
Robb (Arbroath)	2	5	7
Lawson (Berwick)	2	4	7
Grant (Alloa)	0	6	6
Campbell (Brechin)	3	3	6
Masterton (Clyde)	5	1	6
Jobson (Meadowbank)	2	3	5
Turnbull (Montrose)	2	3	5
Graham (Brechin)	3	2	5

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Scotland skipper Danny McGrain: "It gives me no pleasure to see England struggle."

ONE point from their remaining two games will now book Scotland a place in the World Cup

England meanwhile are left to sweat it out.

writer Why? Match Anthony Hawkswell put the question to tough Scotland skipper Danny McGrain and he pulled punches with his answers . . .



Everton's Asa Hartford - a captain in midfield for Scotland, says Danny.

ENGLAND'S 'superstars' could learn a lesson from the down-to-earth Scots.

That's the view of Scotland skipper Danny McGrain, who is on the brink of leading his team to their third successive World Cup

"The Scots have their feet on the ground whereas the English stars seem to believe what the newspapers write about them," said full-back Danny.
"They believe that they become

superstars' overnight and that they only have to turn up to win."
Danny was talking after
Scotland's 2-0 victory over
Sweden — the day after England virtually wrote off their own chances of a place in Spain by losing 2-1 in Norway.

"England have stuttered and rengiand have stuttered and stammered throughout their Group Four qualifying matches and to be honest it has given me no pleasure at all watching them.

"I'd love to see all the home countries get to Spain. It's sad to see England struggling.

"They don't seem to have enough balance or consistency."

enough balance or consistency and perhaps they should rely on a smaller squad of players. "I don't think it helps a

national side if the manager is always chopping and changing his team. It's better to pick from

a nucleus of 15 players and stick to them," added Danny.
"Our manager, Jock Stein, has proved the wisdom of sticking to basically the same side by guiding us to the brink of a finals place in

Danny paid tribute to the team which beat the Swedes so

convincingly at Hampden in front of 81,000 fans.

"There was so much pressure on the players to win and win well. But they proved they were up to the challenge.

"I thought our midfield star Asa Hartford had a tremendous game — one of the best I've ever seen

him play. "The Everton man was doing a captain's role in the middle of the

Danny also paid tribute to AC Milan's new signing Joe Jordan: "He seems to get better and better

- he took his goal ever so well. "I was very impressed by our two young central defenders Alan Hansen and Alex McLeish. They didn't let the pressure get to them. "The Swedes were no

pushovers. Unlike many continental sides they never gave up when they went a couple of goals behind. They made us fight

all the way.
"What they lacked in skill they more than made up for in hard work and pure endeavour."

The experienced Celtic skipper now believes Scotland are better prepared than ever if they reach the World Cup finals.

"I believe every player in our squad will be at the peak of their form when the finals come round. That will be the difference between now and Argentina in 1978.

"Last time many of the players were on the decline.

"Looking at our team I sometimes feel sorry for other countries. We're so small and yet we still manage to produce tremendously skilful players," he



I'm now in America after leaving a London club. Now turn to page 47 to discover the identity of our mystery guest.

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City, FA Cup, fifth round, February 20, 1926.

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Right: So close . . . West Ham stalwart Billy Bonds shows the agony of a missed chance in last season's League meeting against Bolton.

Arsenal's Brian Talbot (left) can't believe it. Liverpool have gone one up and Craig Johnston (12) and Terry McDermott celebrate.

Match Weekly throws the pictoric more agonising moments.

Right: What a clanger! Manchester City's Tommy Hutchison and goalkeeper Joe Corrigan are floored after Tommy's own goal in last season's FA Cup Final at Wembley. Gleefully picking the ball out of the net is Spurs striker Steve Archibald.



Left: Former Everton manager Gordon Lee has his head in his hands, but at least Imre Varadi and Bob Latchford can find something to smile about as their old team concede another goal. The trio have since gone separate ways . . . Gordon to Blackburn, Bob to Swansea and imre to Newcastle.

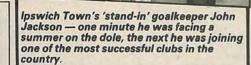


IPSWICH Town's young central defenders, Russell Osman and Terry Butcher, were still at junior school when goalkeeper John Jackson made his last appearance in the First Division.

That was in April, 1973, when veteran John was beaten by two Francis Lee penalties as Crystal Palace said farewell to the First Division with a 3-2 win at Maine Road.

Now 39-year-old John could well be operating behind that formidable England pair as stand-in goalkeeper for Paul Cooper after a 'fairytale' move.

MATCH writer Melvyn Beck meets a man who has started to believe in fairy stories . . . at the age of 39!



One minute he was facing a summer on the

dole after being given a free transfer by Third Division Millwall, the next he was joining one of the most successful clubs in the country.

And after 21 years in the League with

"I thought I was a bit too old to believe in fairy stories. But after this I'm not so sure—
it's just like a dream," he says.

"I must be honget and admit that I though

didn't have much chance of continuing in eague football after leaving Millwall,

although I was hoping to stay in the game in

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Palace, Orient and Millwall, the veteran keeper is facing his first taste of European

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"I was walking round my Brighton home like a bear with a sore head when suddenly this lpswich move came right out of the blue.

"I thought it was a joke at first, but I was finally convinced when they offered me a year's contract to cover Paul Cooper."

It was a tonic to sweeten the bitter pill John had to swallow when Millwall player-manager Peter Anderson gave him his cards at the end of last season.

"I felt I was good enough for another two years, but the manager felt I was surplus to

John had several offers from non-league clubs, but he still retained the desire to stay in League football — possibly as a player-coach. "There were one or two things in the

pipeline but nothing definite when Ipswich

'With all due respect to Millwall, it's like going from one end of the spectrum to the





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WELL did you guess who this week's

mystery man was? Yes of course it's Terry Yorath of Wales and Vancouver Whitecaps.

Did you remember that he started his career with Leeds before joining Coventry?

If you still couldn't get him after all five clues don't worry. There will be another 'Who Am I?' next week.



